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From the Principal

Little more than a year ago, a college buddy of mine, Gail Jacobsen, and I decided to walk the Camino in Spain. El Camino de Santiago (or the Way of Saint James) is the pilgrimage route to the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela in Galicia in northwestern Spain. We had watched the movie *The Way* starring Martin Sheen and thought, "This is us. We need to do this pilgrimage." Neither of us did it for the plenary indulgence the Church says one earns. We did it to test our endurance, to meet other pilgrims, and to have time alone with God. The Camino not only delivered on all three expectations, but it exceeded all of them. As Gail said to me one day, "There is a surprise around every bend of the trail. Look! An ostrich! Who would expect to see Big Bird?"

One unexpected discovery for me was a greater understanding and appreciation for the buddies in my life. Gail and I go back more than 40 years to when we were freshmen at the University of Dayton. We grew through many experiences together, and although often separated by distance and life's responsibilities, we always pick up easily where we left off, cherishing memories, laughing about our moments of challenge and stress, and recognizing that we are buddies, true pilgrims on our journey through life.

On the Camino, Gail stated emphatically her mission in life, "Spreading the joy." As fellow pilgrims came to the end of a long day's walk, Gail heartily welcomed each one, congratulating them on an accomplishment, offering a respite and cold drink. I marveled at my buddy's way of sharing her happiness. And thought, "Isn't this God-like?"

We are all pilgrims, doing our bit, enjoying a buen camino, and journeying toward our God. How nice to think of Him as a spreader of joy, someone waiting to welcome us, expressing gratitude for our life's camino, and laying out a banquet for us to enjoy.

I like to think that Merion Mercy too is about spreading the joy. Our students' journey here may have moments of stress and challenge; they are the moments students will look back upon and see the growth and hopefully laugh at the camino they came through.

I shall always cherish my time walking to Santiago de Compostela. All of you were in my heart as I took each step along the way. Buen Camino!

Sister Barbara Buckley '72
Principal

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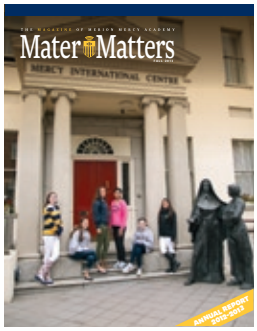

At MMA, learning and exploration carry on into the summer months. Students immerse themselves in remarkable opportunity, enrichment, and travel. In Ireland, MMA travelers on the Mercy Legacy trip pose in front of the first House of Mercy l. to r. Mariah Quinn ’14, Rebecca Loonstyn ’15, Emily Mullen ’14, Jasmine Raj ’15, Grace Mullen ’15, and Carly Loonstyn ’15.

COMMENCEMENT 2013

Graduation Address *(abridged)*

Given by: KATHERINE RIGA '13

Three women sit rigidly in frilly, stiff white dresses, hair pins poking their scalps, sweat trickling down their necks. They put on their solemn half-smiles for the photographer and wait for the blinding flash powder to ignite. Memories of their years at Mater Misericordiae race through their minds - glimpses of specimens examined in Botany, strains of chants uttered in Latin, and the echoes of stars charted in Astronomy. These women are uncomfortable, they are nervous, but most of all, they are triumphant.

The year is no longer 1895. Those three courageous, ambitious women – the first graduating class of the school to become known as Merion Mercy Academy – are now captured in time by a small, framed portrait in the upstairs hallway. Yet, despite our vast differences, I think the class of 1895 would recognize something familiar in the class of 2013: something more fundamental than uniforms, hair styles or curricula. They would recognize a kinship that transcends the changes and years, connecting us to our sisters that have gone before. The class of 1895 would recognize that the 128 seniors seated around me are women of Mercy. The makeup of a Mercy woman today is the same as it was in 1895, and, I believe, the same as it will be in 2095. This character is distinct and unique, because of three main qualities that define a woman of Mercy, a true Merion sister.

Regan Marriner leads her class in procession at Baccalaureate.

Mercy is that vital part of a Mercy woman that stirs within her when she witnesses injustice or suffering. It is that impossible-to-ignore call to relieve the pain of another, for no other reason than that it's the right thing to do. Mercy manifests in years of service, volunteer work, and our every day acts of kindness - a good heart is part of the package.

A Mercy woman's passion for learning helps her push through Latin conjugations and geometry formulas, her passion for sports keeps her practicing her hurdling form for long, arduous hours, her passion for writing pushes her to put pen to paper when draft after draft lay crumpled around her feet. We commit to our interests mind, body, and soul – taking gratification from our successes and learning from our failures. This drive, this unshakable work ethic to fulfill this inner passion sets Mercy women apart. As a class, we are carrying our passion into the challenges that lie ahead, knowing that embracing who we are and what we care about is the essential foundation to a life of meaning and success.

The last aspect of a Mercy woman springs from Catherine McAuley, foundress of the Sisters of Mercy. Catherine possessed "tender courage." This is the ability to be firm in our commitment, but compassionate in our actions. That description captures the quality perfectly: Mercy women are brave. Our compassion is not a weakness, but the source of our greatest strength.

These three shared qualities enable us to leave the comfort of these halls with a special assurance that we are not, and will never be, alone. Rooted in the experiences and relationships that have formed us during our high school years, we are poised to enter a new chapter of our lives. These are the same kinds of experiences that have shaped Merion sisters for generations, and prepared them for lives as women of character and substance. As we face new challenges, we are strengthened by this, by one another, and by our common commitment to bring the fire of Mercy with us, wherever we go. We will always be tethered here, to this school, by our history, our experiences, our growth and our faith. We are women of Mercy... of passion.... of tender courage. We are triumphant.

(Left) Graduates pose with Ms. Sack l. to r. Molly Powers, Ms. Patricia Sack, Grace Muller, and Alayna Tralie.

(Right) Friends share one last moment together before graduation l. to r. Miranda Tait, Michele Schulmeister, Meghan Stranick, and Maria Teresa Giordano.

Baccalaureate Address (abridged)

Given by: MAURA DOUGHERTY '13

Charlotte was my nemesis. She was difficult, always doing the opposite of what I wanted. She stalled when I wanted to move forward and lost her swiftness when I depended on it the most. Charlotte was my first car and she was "different". She was a stick shift, and, as it turned out, the perfect car for me, especially at MMA. You see, living Mercy on the road of life is much like operating a stick shift: tricky, strenuous and requiring constant work. It is not a journey as in an automatic car where accelerating comes easily, but rather a quest that requires shifting and at times, stalling.

First gear was the rudiment of our very own Merion career and our first true encounter with the quality of Mercy known as empathy. I had once heard someone refer to enacting empathy as using an empathy switch; our switch was turned on in our first year. We learned that empathy is an essential quality of Mercy and completely different from sympathy. We were brought together, rooted in this mysterious world of Mercy and empathy, and so, we mastered our first gear. Next, we continued our journey, beginning to speed up ever so slightly in second gear. It was at this point we were a tad weary, still unsure, yet gaining more knowledge and self-confidence.

Shifting into third gear brought us onto faster, newer roads - roads we had not yet journeyed. This was our junior year, a year I believe, can be summed up in one question from the notable T.S. Elliot: "Do I dare disturb the universe?" You see, Mercy is something that is not just felt, it is acted upon. Each time we strengthened our empathetic and merciful hearts, whether through action or service activities, we disturbed the universe. As a class we disrupted the world by showing empathy and acting with Mercy.

L. to r. Jennifer Heany, Rose DeFino, MaryKate O'Riordan, Molly Powers, Grace Muller, Christine Hill, and Abigail Fondren at the spot they love so well.

Finally, gear four in year four. We've sped down this highway of senior year, sailing along at racing speeds. It was also during this year that we were forced to look ahead into the mysterious abyss that awaits us when we leave Merion.

Commencement Highlights

Academic Accolades

The Excellence Medal for the Highest Cumulative Achievement:
Marina Tsikouras

The Excellence Medal for the Highest Achievement in the study of Art:
Samantha DiFabio

Honorable Mention:
Gabriella DiFabio

The Excellence Medal for the Highest Achievement in the study of English:
Katherine Riga

Honorable Mention:
Mary Catherine Carr

The Sister Elizabeth Carroll Award for the Highest Achievement in the study of French:
Marina Tsikouras

Honorable Mention:
Christina O'Shea

The Excellence Medal for the Highest Achievement in the study of Latin:
Katherine Riga

Honorable Mention:
Meghan McCaffrey

The Excellence Medal for the Highest Achievement in the study of Mathematics:
Christine Hill

The Excellence Medal for the Highest Achievement in the study of Music:
Elizabeth Dierkes

The Excellence Medal for the Highest Achievement in the study of Science:
Mary Klatt

Honorable Mention:
Alyssia LaMonaca

The Excellence Medal for the Highest Achievement in the study of Social Studies:
Rebecca McCarron

The Excellence Medal for the Highest Achievement in the study of Spanish:
Erin McGarrity

The Excellence Medal for the Highest Achievement in the study of Theology:
Katherine Riga

Archdiocesan scholars of the class of 2013 stand l. to r. Mary Kate Donahue, Mary Klatt, Katherine Riga, and Marina Tsikouras.

In recognition of their academic excellence, students in the top 3% of the class at the end of the first semester were recognized at the Honors Convocation of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The students representing Merion Mercy Academy this year were:

Mary Kate Donahue
Mary Klatt
Katherine Riga
Marina Tsikouras

The following students have achieved an average of 4.0 or higher in each of four consecutive years:

Elizabeth Dierkes
Mary Kate Donahue
Maura Dougherty
Christine Hill
Mary Klatt
Alyssia LaMonaca
Erin McGarrity
Maura Murphy
Christina O'Shea
Anna Pappas
Katherine Riga
Erin Snyder
Marina Tsikouras

Claddagh Awards

The Irish claddagh is a symbol befitting the cultural heritage, corporal works, and spiritual legacy of Catherine McAuley, foundress of the Sisters of Mercy. It is comprised of three elements: the heart representing hospitality and compassion, the hands representing service and care, and the crown representing leadership and fidelity to one's cause.

We celebrate the ways in which these symbols similarly embody our students' exceptional character and achievement.

THE HEART OF MERCY AWARD

is presented to a graduating senior who exemplifies the essence of Mercy, offering time, effort, talent and compassion in the spirit of Catherine McAuley.

For Heart of Mercy: **Elizabeth Dierkes**

THE SERVICE AWARD

is presented to a graduating senior for her demonstrated leadership in responding generously to the Gospel call to action and seeking justice through her volunteer efforts with MMA-sponsored projects and/or community-based programs.

For Service: **Erin Snyder**

THE LOYALTY AWARD

is presented to a graduating senior who has demonstrated extraordinary loyalty and pride in Merion Mercy school community, acting with conviction and integrity in all she does, and understanding the importance of being a woman of Mercy.

For Loyalty: **Deanna Javage**

UNIVERSITY *AND* COLLEGE DECISIONS

THE SCHOOL LISTED IS THE STUDENT'S INSTITUTION OF CHOICE.

Jiwon (Elizabeth) Bae
The Pennsylvania State University

Reagan Bencher
School of Visual Arts

Allison Boyle
Temple University

Greta Bradbury
Syracuse University

Nicole Braun
Philadelphia University

Megan Brennan
Bloomsburg University

Jael Brown
Undecided

Christina Burgese
University of Pennsylvania

Anna Calderone
University of Pittsburgh

Emma Campbell
Saint Joseph's University

Mariana Capizzi
The Pennsylvania State University

Mary Catherine Carr
Emerson College

Bridget Cashel
Drexel University

Jeannette Cecchi
Villanova University

Nicia Chiavacci
La Salle University

Elena Conway
Cabrini College

Amalia Cristiano
San Diego State University

Gianna Croce
Bloomsburg University

Tiffany Croumbley
Virginia Polytechnic Institute

Giovanna Crozier-Fitzgerald
Columbia University

Brittany Cunningham
West Chester University

Madalaina D'Angelo
The Catholic University of America

Rose DeFino
The Pennsylvania State University

Melissa Fong DeLeon
Northeastern University

Stephanie Della Porta
University of South Carolina

Courtney Devine
Villanova University

Maggie DeVlieger
Columbia University

Jessica DiAntonio
Drexel University

Emily DiClemente
West Chester University

Elizabeth Dierkes
University of Pittsburgh

Gabriella DiFabio
Drexel University

Samantha DiFabio
Drexel University

Maria DiGiacomo
Saint Joseph's University

Erica DiPascale
University of Delaware

Dana DiPretoro
Hofstra University

Victoria DiRenzo
University of Pittsburgh

Caroline Donahue
Fairfield University

Mary Kate Donahue
Elon University

Julianne D'Orazio
Lehigh University

Maura Dougherty
Villanova University

Elizabeth Duska
Boston Conservatory

Jennifer Ertel
Loyola University Maryland

Lydia Esposito
Saint Joseph's University

Emilee Faillace
Immaculata University

Alexandra Fanto
Saint Joseph's University

Caitlin Farrell
Dickinson College

Sarah Farrell
University of St. Andrews

Alexandra Ficchi
Fairfield University

Abigail Fondren
West Virginia University

Juliette Gabriel
High Point University

Olivia Gallagher-Kowit
Tulane University

Jordan Gavin
University of Tampa

Cassidy Giordano
Marymount Manhattan College

Maria Teresa Giordano
Temple University

Cassidy Guilday
Temple University

Gabrielle Healy
Stetson University

Jennifer Heany
Drexel University

Marygrace Hegarty
Duquesne University

Christine Hill
University of Notre Dame

Casey Hofmann
Temple University

Deanna Javage
The Pennsylvania State University

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Duquesne University

Eilis Kennedy
Marist College

Amanda Keppel
University of Southern Maine

Julianne Kerwood
Lehigh University

Mary Klatt
University of Pittsburgh

Alyssia LaMonaca
United States Coast Guard Academy

Kayla Lane
Saint Joseph's University

Kristen Lanzilotta
Saint Joseph's University

Mary Lynch
Widener University

Aisha Maiga
Temple University

Sarah Maminski
Drexel University

Regan Marriner
Philadelphia University

Meghan McCaffrey
The University of Maryland

Rebecca McCarron
The Catholic University of America

Erin McGarrity
Mercyhurst University

Lucia McGettigan
Wilkes University

Marybeth McLaverty
Temple University

Yadira Mejia
Drexel University

Gemma Messina
University of Pittsburgh

Molly Missett
Fairfield University

Megan Montgomery
Drexel University

Grace Muller
Temple University

Maura Murphy
Boston College

Claire Murray
Saint Joseph's University

Nicol Natale
Fordham University

Joanna Nawn
The Pennsylvania State University

Alexis Needles
West Virginia University

Brianna Nelson-Williams
West Chester University

L'Oreal Oliver
Temple University

Mary Kate O'Riordan
University of Delaware

Christina O'Shea
Bucknell University

Anna Pappas
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Emily Parker
The Catholic University of America

Christina Pawlish
Saint Joseph's University

Amanda Pellegrino
Drexel University

Gabrielle Perry
University of Delaware

Madison Pollino
Neumann University

Molly Powers
Fairfield University

Mary Katherine Quinn
Bloomsburg University

Marialena Rago
Hofstra University

Ciera Reynolds
Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Christine Rice
Franciscan University of Steubenville

Shabella Rideout-Perkins
United States Marine Corps

Gabrielle Riehl
Temple University

Katherine Riga
Georgetown University

Krista Rossi
Saint Joseph's University

Elizabeth Sack
Syracuse University

Fiona Schroer
College of Charleston

Michele Schulmeister
Marquette University

Rebecca Smith
The Pennsylvania State University

Erin Snyder
Goucher College

Lauren Soper
Auburn University

Allison Starr
Drexel University

Maggie Stewart
Saint Joseph's University

Meghan Stranick
Lehigh University

Miranda Tait
The Pennsylvania State University

Elizabeth Talvacchia
Temple University

Stephanie Thomas
Drexel University

Shelsy Tity
Philadelphia University

Alayna Tralie
Temple University

Natalie Trerotola
Cabrini College

Marina Tsikouras
University of Pennsylvania

Ciara Tucker
Stony Brook University

Cierra Williams
Temple University

Martha Zeller
The Pennsylvania State University

Mary Grace Zeller
Temple University

Summer Ziernicki
The Pennsylvania State University

MMAthletics

ACHIEVING ALUMNAE ATHLETES

Margaret Corzel '10

This year's NCAA Division I women's lacrosse Final Four at Villanova University was a homecoming for Margaret Corzel '10. Miss Corzel is a redshirt sophomore defender for University of North Carolina (UNC). Margaret grew up in Berwyn and was a two-time All-American and Academic All-American at Merion Mercy.

For all her familiarity with the area, Margaret played just one middle-school game at Villanova Stadium, and was very excited to be playing at such high stakes in the area. "It's like it's all coming full circle," Miss Corzel said prior to the game.

Margaret Corzel had a tough trip home with UNC lacrosse in the fall of 2011.

As she played in a scrimmage against Penn at Princeton, her left knee gave out as she pivoted on a draw control. She tore her anterior cruciate ligament and missed all of last season as a medical redshirt.

Margaret Corzel returned as a captain this season, starting every game and leading the team in ground balls.

"I really don't feel like I lost anything," Miss Corzel asserted. "I feel like I'm just as fast and strong as I was."

Indeed. Her third-seeded UNC Tar Heels triumphed over No. 2 Northwestern in the semifinals. North Carolina then faced University of Maryland in the finals. UNC emerged victorious in a 13-12 triple-overtime win against Maryland for the National Championship. This achievement was UNC women's lacrosse program's first ever National Championship.

Killeen Shuda '00

Killeen Shuda '00 first heard about Girls on the Run (GOTR) in 2005 when she moved to Southern California; her sister volunteered as a GOTR coach there. The nonprofit organization helps girls in grades third through eighth grow into confident, healthy young women through conversation-based lessons and activities. Killeen and a colleague at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania joined the GOTR steering committee responsible for starting the local council. "This is such an important age," Miss Shuda said. "What they learn in elementary school can shape their experiences in middle school and, ultimately, in life."

As part of the program's 12 week season, each coach meets twice a week after school with a small group of girls, leading discussions about issues that girls face at this age, such as how to handle bullying and negative talk and how this makes them feel. "We provide a safe environment," she shared.

From the start of the season, the girls practice for their 5k run, which is the culmination of the program. The 5K is a celebration of and for the girls who are completing the three-month season of the GOTR programming. Each participant receives a medal for completing the noncompetitive run. "It gives them a sense of accomplishment." She added, "The 5k celebrates a season of learning about the importance

of taking care of our emotional and physical health and truly embodies our mission of inspiring girls to be joyful, healthy, and confident!" The girls also do a community-service project during the last four weeks.

"At Merion, we were challenged with such a strong academic curriculum in an environment where leadership skills were cultivated and refined. The opportunity to extend a hand to someone in need and volunteer in the community never took a backseat as the idea of 'Mercy' was integrated into every aspect of our high school years," maintained Miss Shuda. "I feel so blessed to have had the opportunity to learn and grow as a student at Merion Mercy; I believe every girl deserves to be uplifted and empowered as I was and to be taught that her dreams are limitless."

Miss Shuda proudly completed the first GOTR season and concluded, "We started with just two elementary schools and hope to be in as many Philadelphia elementary schools - public, catholic, private, and charter - as possible. GOTR would love Merion students, parents, and alumnae to get involved. We hope to provide a positive influence for the girls... to let them see successful females of a variety of ages and diverse backgrounds."

SENIOR AWARDS

Front l. to r. Courtney Devine, Amanda Pellegrino, Melissa DeLeon, Nicole Braun, Nicol Natale, Stephanie Thomas, and Regan Marriner.

Middle l. to r. Maggie Stewart, Christina O'Shea, Deanna Javage, Alison Kane, Elena Conway, Maria DiGiacomo, Emily Parker, and Alexandra Fanto.

Back l. to r. Julianne D'Orazio, Maggie DeVlieger, Caitlin Farrell, Mary Grace Zeller, Elizabeth Sack, Erica DiPascale, Marybeth McLaverty, and Martha Zeller.

Missing from the photo are the following members of the class of 2013: Giovanna Crozier-Fitzgerald, Rose DeFino, Abigail Fondren, and Ciera Reynolds.

MVPS

Front l. to r. Emily Acito '15 (swimming), Molly Lord '14 (track), Christina O'Shea '13 (basketball), and Theresa Dierkes '16 (swimming).

Back l. to r. Julianne D'Orazio '13 (lacrosse), Christina DiGiacomo '14 (basketball), and Erin Russell '14(softball).

Missing from the photo is Giovanna Crozier-Fitzgerald '13 (crew).

2013 SPRING ATHLETIC AWARDS

MMA VARSITY ATHLETE AWARD

Erica DiPasquale – field hockey
Amanda Pellegrino – tennis
Nicol Natale - soccer
Maggie DeVlieger – crew
Giovanna Crozier-Fitzgerald – crew
Alison Kane – crew
Stephanie Thomas – crew
Christina O'Shea – basketball
Abigail Fondren – crew
Julianne D'Orazio – basketball & lacrosse
Martha Zeller – basketball & soccer
Courtney Devine – field hockey & lacrosse
Mary Grace Zeller – soccer & basketball
Elizabeth Sack - field hockey & track
Emily Parker – golf, swimming, & softball

MVP

Christina O'Shea '13 & Christina DiGiacomo '14 – basketball
Emily Acito '15 & Theresa Dierkes '16 – swimming
Molly Lord '14 – track
Julianne D'Orazio '13 – lacrosse
Erin Russell '14 – softball
Giovanna Crozier-Fitzgerald '13 – crew

SENIOR AWARDS

GOLDEN BEAR SPIRIT AWARD
Alexandra Fanto
Emily Parker
Melissa DeLeon
Rose DeFino
Nicole Braun
Maggie DeVlieger

DEDICATION & SPORTSMANSHIP
Elena Conway
Ciera Reynolds
Deanna Javage
Maria DiGiacomo
Regan Marriner
Alison Kane

UNSUNG HERO
Marybeth McLaverty

MMA COACHES AWARD
Amanda Pellegrino
Stephanie Thomas
Maggie Stewart
Caitlin Farrell

CHRISTIAN ATHLETE AWARD
Martha Zeller
Mary Grace Zeller

SCHOLAR ATHLETE
Christina O'Shea

SENIOR ATHLETE AWARD
Julianne D'Orazio

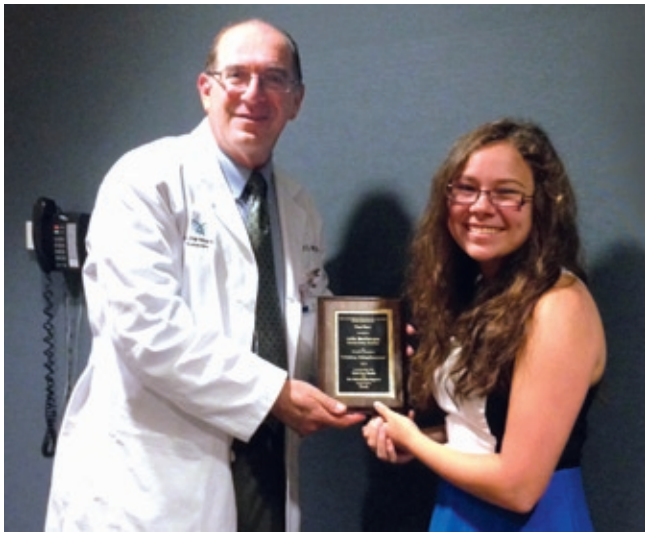
MMA BLUE & GOLD CLUB
Julianne D'Orazio

MERION GIRLS *Summer Stories*

Julie Bevilacqua '15

When Mr. Pratt told my Sacraments class that students grow dramatically between sophomore and junior year, ***I didn't think his statement applied to me. I thought my summer would pass like any other*** and I would return to school about the same as when I left.

At the end of June, I spent ten days at Villanova University at the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine. I expected, of course, to learn a lot about medicine, but I never could have anticipated the ways I would change over the course of a week and a half. The program included visits to hospitals and medical schools, speakers, and hands-on activities. We also held a medical ethics debate, through which I learned to see both sides of an issue, even those that didn't match my own opinion. By looking beyond my own perspective, I was able to broaden my views and learn from my peers. The other students taught me more than any speaker ever could—they helped me form opinions and stick by them, taught me to think rationally, and encouraged me to collaborate.



Somewhere within my ten days at the Forum and my reflections on it afterwards, I gained a more mature sense of myself and better ability to deal with people. I grew firmer in my beliefs and learned how to stand by them. I discovered that there will always be people who share my interests and will support me when I pursue them. And I learned that Mr. Pratt was right all along.

Marguerite Gorman '14

Summer is a time to challenge yourself in an unorthodox way: to take your knowledge from the classroom and apply it. ***I started this summer by spending ten days in Italy with MMA's Summer Classical Program*** touring, learning, and experiencing what the ancient country has to offer.

I applied the knowledge from my language and history classes, while learning things I had never crossed paths with before. After returning from the Summer Classical Program, I headed straight for Gwynedd Mercy College to take part in the 2013 Mercy Leadership Conference. I, along with five other Merion girls, spent four days presenting, reflecting, and planning for the school year. We put our heads together with Mercy girls from a variety of states, such as Michigan, Oklahoma, and New York. Along with faculty participants from the Mercy schools (Mrs. Killeen and Sister Anna Saltzman represented MMA) and Sister Deirdre Mullan, RSM, who works at the United Nations as the Executive Director of The Partnership for Global Education. The group of Mercy students developed a theme for the upcoming school year, which centers on educating children in third world countries. We know this will be important and relevant to the student body of Merion Mercy.

Another exciting summer experience came out of a conference for "Gender and Water Issues" where I volunteered in the spring. As a result of my involvement, I was invited to attend World Water Week 2013, an event in Stockholm, Sweden that brought together members of the global water community in an attempt to share ideas and knowledge about the water crisis. After writing a research paper about water scarcity in Mrs. Rush's freshman Foundations in Writing class, I realized what a vital issue water has become. Since then, with the help of others, I raised money to build wells in Cambodia, joined the Philadelphia Global Water Initiative, organized a student group for the Walk for Water, successfully proposed the installation of hydration stations in school, and challenged other students to get involved and be more aware. Sweden is just another step I will take to follow my passion for making water more accessible.

Jamilah Jones '15

This summer, ***I attended Telluride Association Summer Seminar (TASS).*** The program accepts only 36 students from the US and abroad, and its aim is to inspire high school students to explore the history, politics, and culture of African Americans.

My branch of TASS ran for six weeks and was located at Indiana University Bloomington - a 12 hour drive from home! We were taught by two college professors and had two tutors, college students who previously attended TASS, who lived and interacted with us. My class, "Race Issues in a 'Post Race' America", was a critical spectatorship and writing course in which we focused on the ideology of white patriarchal capitalism and supremacy as seen throughout the history of Hollywood race films. Essentially, we learned about racial stereotypes, how they originated, and how they are perpetuated through media today. In addition to race, we also studied gender identity and roles, film basics and production, African American history, sexuality, religion, culture, cultural appropriation and negative images in the media. It was a very challenging, jam-packed, college level class.

Coming from a family that does not produce many college graduates, I am proud to say that I am a rising junior who has already tasted college life free of cost. I have met people from diverse backgrounds, and they have helped me open my eyes to so much of the world. Learning the things I have, I found a missing piece of myself. TASS's mission is to produce "Change Agents": you leave as a student whose purpose is to change the world in some way.

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Share Your News!

Merion Mercy Academy encourages all alumnae to share news in the Class Notes section of *Mater Matters*. To contribute, send your news to kcawley@merion-mercy.com or write to: Kristina Stanton Cawley '90, Alumnae News, 511 Montgomery Ave., Merion Station, PA 19066.

(Class Notes may be edited for length, grammar, and content.)

The Forties

Anne "Teesie" Larkin Smith '48 wrote, "Our Meri-union was just perfect. Thank you to Patti McAleer and the Development Office for all your hard work to make it so special. All my memories of Merion are happy ones, and you all continue to embrace that spirit."

The Sixties

Patrice McElroy Temple-West '62 and her daughter, **Anna Temple-West '11,** presented a scholarship at Saint Joseph's University's Academy of Food Marketing for a student dedicated to social justice and serving the hungry. The four-year scholarship is in memory of Patrice's late husband and Anna's late father, Patrick, who passed away in 2009.

Marguerite Dougherty MacDonald '63 shared with her annual fund gift, "I had a wonderful time with the Class of '63 at the reunion celebration in May."

Kathy Walls Chan '65 wrote, "I have three wonderful children, Laura, Andrew, and David. Laura is now 42 and owns a recruiting business for upper management accounting and finance employees. She has developed her company into a thriving, successful business in the Los Angeles, Sherman Oaks area. She is married to wonderful Roger and they happily are parents to Dylan Tyler Troupe, newly turned six-year-old. The happy family lives in Santa Monica, CA. My son Andrew is a patent attorney in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. I call him my "renaissance man" – so well read in politics, history, literature, and theater. My son David, the youngest, is an internal medicine doctor in Chicago and was married last June to lovely Stephanie, a physical medicine and rehab physician. The Chan clan is doing well! I am sending you all a California hug and wishing MMA a beautiful year!"

Bridget E. Kelly '73

The Seventies

Bridget E. Kelly '73 sends gratitude to her MMA classmates for their support of her and help with the supplies needed for her trip to Haiti. As part of Haiti Family Initiative, Bridget spent five weeks offering medical services, educational camps for children, and empowerment programs for women.

The Nineties

Katie Devlin Brogan '93 and her husband Dan welcomed their third daughter on May 17, 2013. "Colleen Carroll Brogan was 8lbs, 10 oz. and 20.5 inches. Big sisters Bridget and Patrice just love her!"

Sabrina Abate '95 is engaged to Bob Ellwood. The couple will marry on December 27, 2013.

Elizabeth McMahon '98 wed John Parker on May 10, 2013 at St. John the Evangelist Church in Philadelphia. **Sarah Weston Johnston '98, Maribeth Wechsler '98,** and **Rachel Perkins '98** were bridesmaids. The couple is currently living in Baltimore, MD with hopes to move back to the area within the next year.

Elizabeth McMahon '98 and John Parker

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Meaghan Killeen '99 married Matthew Fishbone on May 4, 2013. The happy couple shared the day with many Merion Mercy alumnae, including her mom, **Eileen Daly Killeen '68,** MMA Faculty, her sister, **Erin Killeen Coder '95,** and alum aunts, cousins, and friends. Uniquely, eight of Meaghan's eleven bridesmaids are MMA graduates! Meaghan and her husband are living in San Francisco, CA where she was recently promoted to sales planning director for Method Products.

Meaghan Killeen '99 and Matthew Fishbone

The 00s

Allison Coleman '01 married Scott Haze on June 30, 2013 in Cape May, NJ. Merion alums, **Emilie Klein Connors '01, Nicole Bochanski McDevitt '01,** and **Amelia Liero Gillen '01** were bridesmaids!

Allison Coleman '01 and Scott Haze

Megan McCarthy '03 was married to Christopher Clark on January 12, 2013 in Philadelphia. "Merion grads played an important role in the day, my sister **Kerry McCarthy '06** was maid of honor and **Meghan McKeown '06** sang beautifully at the mass at Old Saint Mary's Church. Many thanks to Mrs. Savarese, Sister Anna, and Sister Beth, who helped send the music and lyrics to 'Circle of Mercy' for Meghan to sing at mass!"

Kerry McCarthy '06 and Megan McCarthy Clark '03

Congratulations to **Lauren Roby '03,** whose reflections on teaching and inquiry-based learning have been featured in Marcia Talhelm Edison's book, *Starting With Science: Strategies for Introducing Young Children to Inquiry*, a text for educators on teaching science in the primary years. Lauren has been teaching pre-kindergarten at Fay School in Southborough, MA since 2010; she earned her bachelor's degree and master's degree in education at Boston University. The author of the textbook is one of Lauren's former professors at BU. Lauren was one of only three BU alums chosen to provide reflections.

Elizabeth Spellman '03 returned to MMA as the alumna speaker for the senior assembly. The Development Office annually invites an alumna to address the student body and faculty on this special day. Elizabeth spoke to the students about the great impact her Mercy education had on her and how important the lessons learned and friendships formed at MMA have been throughout her life. Elizabeth shared how her education played a role in pursuing her dream to live in Honduras. She lived there for two years and worked in a boys' orphanage. She is presently working as an inpatient critical care social worker at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children.

Lynn Panepinto '04 spoke at the National Language Honor Society's induction ceremony. She shared with students the many experiences she has had through her studies of Spanish. For two years, while pursuing her master's in Collaborative Management and Social Policy, Lynn lived and served in Peru, where she founded a non-profit organization. Currently, Lynn works as a bilingual victim services family advocate at Philadelphia Children's Alliance.

Theresa Brabson '05 graduated from Temple University School of Law in May. She has been awarded a prestigious Independence Foundation Fellowship through which she will work for two years at the Legal Clinic for the Disabled (LCD) at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children, where she has worked since her first year of law school. At the LCD, she will work with PhilaKids, a medical-legal partnership that advocates for patients and their families. Prior to attending Temple, Theresa served for a year with Jesuit Volunteer Corps in North Philadelphia because, she maintains, "To be a more successful advocate for others, I immersed myself within the population to see social injustice first hand."

Kathleen Glynn '05 is engaged to be married to Matthew Miccarelli. Matthew attended Monsignor Bonner and graduated from the University of California Berkeley in 2008. He is a

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Kelly Grace '04, Marielle Martino '00, Elizabeth Purcell '00, Ellen Purcell '04, Sister Honora Nicholson, RSM, MMA Former Faculty, Clare Nicholson Zimmerman '04, Kristin Redditt '00, Christina Bargeron '00, and Kara Tully '00.

Physician Recruitment Manager for Executive Health Resources in Newtown Square, PA. He has also launched his own company, Municipal Strategies, in Delaware County. Kathleen graduated from DeSales University in 2009 and now teaches for the School District of Philadelphia while directing her dance company, CoEXISTdance, Inc. The couple will reside in Philadelphia with their puppy, Cal, and are planning a fall, 2014 wedding.

Regina Toto '05 graduated with honors from The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences. She will do her residency in pediatrics at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. Regina is engaged to Dr. Christopher D'Avella and will be married in September 2014.

Diane Cipriani Wikso '06 is beginning her second year of event planning and fundraising as a campaign manager with the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. She and her husband Eric recently relocated to Wilmington, DE, she said, "so we could live, work, and serve all in the same area. This is where our church is, and we're excited to be a part of a small city that is still redeveloping and needs a lot of love!"

Victoria Gordon '07 is pursuing graduate studies at Columbia University. She will graduate with a master's degree in nutrition in the summer of 2014.

Emma Pannepacker '08 was commissioned into the U.S. Navy in May. The lieutenant at Carnegie Mellon Naval Unit who commissioned Emma was MMA alum, **Brittany Runge Manley '03**. Emma received a bachelor's degree in nursing from Duquesne University and has orders to report to Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune in Jacksonville, NC for her initial duty assignment.

Kimberly Keenen '09 graduated magna cum laude from Ursinus College with a double major in business & economics and Spanish. Kimberly was selected for Phi Beta Kappa, the highest academic honor for undergraduate students. She also received The Compton/Rose Prize, awarded to an outstanding student majoring in business & economics. The Mary Onopchenko 1985 Memorial Prize, awarded to an outstanding senior who plans a career in law, and The Spanish Award, which honors an outstanding student in Spanish. While at Ursinus, Kimberly was elected to Sigma Iota Epsilon, the National Honorary and Professional Management Fraternity, Omicron Delta Epsilon, the International Economics Honor Society; and the modern language honor society. She was also active in the Pre-Law Society, UC S.T.A.N.D., an anti-genocide coalition, and Best Buddies, an organization which encourages friendships with people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. She has been accepted to Villanova University School of Law.

Ensign Emma Pannepacker '08 with Lieutenant Brittany Runge Manley '03, U.S.N. at the Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hall and Museum at the Navy Commissioning Ceremony.

Kimberly Keenen '09

Margaret Corzel '10 made headlines with the women's lacrosse team at the University of North Carolina when they defeated the University of Maryland for her team's first ever NCAA Championship at Villanova Stadium. Margaret, a team captain, started every game of the victorious, record-breaking season.

Mary Lastowka '12 made dean's list both semesters of her first year at Catholic University where she is majoring in politics and Spanish for International Service. She has become involved in many activities, such as the International Affairs Association, Emerging Leaders Program, and Students for Life. This summer, Mary interned in Washington, DC at the International Advocacy Center, Asian Affairs Department of Commerce where she met the head of the Department of Commerce and worked with the Department of State. She also worked at the Catholic Family and Human

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Rights Institute, through which she has published several articles on important issues, such as Human Rights and World Refugee Day. Through her internships, Mary has met Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia and Sarah Palin.

Juliette Gabriel '13 made the top 15 at the National Miss United States Pageant in Washington, DC. This was her first time competing in the "Miss" division, rather than "Teen." The youngest in the pageant, she walked away with the Runway Competition Award, as well as the People's Choice award! Juliette is currently a freshman at High Point University.

Juliette Gabriel '13, Miss New Jersey United States, with Johnathan Kayne, a designer from *Project Runway*, after he awarded her with the Runway Competition Award at the Miss United States Pageant in Washington DC.

Arrivals

Garrett and **Theresa Cunningham Hennessey '92,** a son, Garrett Edward, Jr.

Garrett Edward, Jr.

Dan and **Katie Devlin Brogan '93,** a daughter, Colleen Carroll

Colleen Carroll

Austin and **Jante Santos Turner '95,** a daughter, Willow Amelia

James and **Margaret Master Parish '97,** a daughter, Margaret Mary

Bernard and **Jennifer Saeger Killelea '98,** a son, Joshua Adam (Josh)

Joshua Adam

Ryan Daniel

Stephen and **Bridget Timby Comly '99,** a son, Ryan Daniel

Andrew and **Lauren Reilly Hopkins '99,** a son, Michael Dale

Michael Dale

Paul and **Julie Adelizzi Exter '01,** a son, James Paul

Richard and **Nicole Andreacchio Amelio '04,** a son, Lucas Anthony

Lucas Anthony

Bernadette Fahy, MMA Faculty, a grandson, Anthony Leon Pizzica

Ryan and **Ann Fitzpatrick, MMA Faculty,** a son, Samuel Ryan

Weddings

Elizabeth McMahon '98 to John Parker on May 10, 2013

Bonnie Villari '98 to Kevin Nicolari on June 1, 2013

Meaghan Killeen '99 to Matthew Fishbone on May 4, 2013

Allison Coleman '01 to Scott Haze on June 30, 2013

Erin Grady '02 to Doug Burlew on May 4, 2013

Kelly Robreno '02 to Charles Koster on June 8, 2013

Megan McCarthy '03 to Christopher Clark on January 12, 2013

Bernadette Mason '04 to Daniel Livewell on May 4, 2013

Clare Nicholson '04 to Drew Zimmerman on June 22, 2013

Diane Cipriani '06 to Eric Wikso on November 24, 2012

Jennifer Creed, MMA Faculty, to Scott Rego on June 22, 2013

Jennifer Creed and Scott Rego

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IN MEMORIAM

Merion Mercy Academy expresses its condolences to the family and friends of the following members of our community. Please keep their families in your prayers.

Nicholas Abbonizio, brother of **Angela Zager, MMA Former Faculty**

Henry A. Backe, grandfather of **Kalen Backe '12** and **Elizabeth Backe '14**

Rita Vetri Camardo, grandmother of **Cecilia Camardo '05**

Eileen Silcox Daly '43, sister of **Marie Louise Silcox Wiley '45,** mother of **Maureen Daly Cooper '67, Eileen Daly Killeen '68, Christine Daly Echelmeier '70, Patricia Daly Blacker '76,** grandmother of **Tara Echelmeier Dolan '94, Erin Killeen Coder '95, Alexis Cooper Sawyer '95, Tierney Echelmeier Norris '97, Meaghan Killeen Fishbone '99, Kirsten Echelmeier Sams '99, Shannon Blacker Bruno '00, Kathleen Daly '04,** and **Maura Daly '08**

Consuela Donohue '57

Bernie Echelmeier, husband of **Christine Daly Echelmeier '70,** father of **Tara Echelmeier Dolan '94, MMA Former Faculty, Tierney Echelmeier Norris '97, Kirsten Echelmeier Sams '99,** brother-in-law of **Maureen Daly Cooper '67, Eileen Daly Killeen '68, MMA Faculty, Patricia Daly Blacker '76,** uncle of **Erin Killeen Coder '95, Alexis Cooper Sawyer '95, Meaghan Killeen Fishbone '99, Shannon Blacker Bruno '00, Kathleen Daly '04,** and **Maura Daly '08**

Cornelia M. Farrell, mother-in-law of **Lisa Nicolella Farrell '78** and grandmother of **Caitlin Farrell '13**

Paul Gallagher, father of **Kathleen Gallagher '12**

Joseph M. Gorgone, father of **Barbara Sherlock, MMA Faculty,** and grandfather of **Denise Sherlock Todd, MMA Former Faculty**

Theresa A. Kuckuck, mother of **Theresa Kuckuck Moran '63** and **Rhonda Kuckuck Poli '65**

Robert B. Loughran, husband of **Eileen Dagit Loughran '75**

Rita G. McNamara, MMA Former Faculty, mother of **Ruth Ann McNamara '67** and **Liza McNamara '71**

Agnes McWilliams, mother of **Mary Jo McWilliams '75, Board of Trustees**

Anna Marie Morelli, mother of **Lucille Morelli '79**

Rosemarie Nixon, mother of **Sheila Nixon Springer '79**

Anthony Petracci, grandfather of **Paige Matteo '08**

Judith Riley, M.D. '60

Joan Bruder Roney '49

Patricia Rumely '46

Andrea DeAngelo Scattergood '68, sister of **Stephanie DeAngelo Brooks '72**

Tryphena Thelmon '75

Mary Ann Tumminelli, grandmother of **Jacqueline Pasquarella Hershey '87** and **Jennifer Pasquarella LaTour '92**

MMA Alumnae Association is looking for a few good women.

We are now accepting nominations to fill the slate for the next two-year term of president, secretary, treasurer, and career & mentoring officer. These offices will begin in September 2014. Please forward the names of nominees (yourself or other alum) for any or all of the open positions to Linda Miele Benton '75 at 610-664-6655, ext. 104 or lbenton@merion-mercy.com. If you would like descriptions of duties for the offices, contact Linda.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR MERI-UNION APRIL 5, 2014

(Please note the date change. Meri-union is early this year to accommodate schedules on campus and Easter).

All alumnae are encouraged to join their classmates and former and current faculty at the Mass and reception. Classes ending in 4 and 9 will be celebrating their reunion. Golden Circle reunion classes (1934, 1939, 1944, 1949 1954, 1959) will begin with a luncheon prior to the Mass and reception. Reunion classes from 1964 to 2009 will continue to celebrate at the reunion dinner after the reception.

It's never too early to begin planning. If you are interested in being on your class committee, please join us October 8, 2013 at the Alumnae Association meeting and/or contact Linda Miele Benton '75 at 610-664-6655, ext. 104 or lbenton@merion-mercy.com.

Please plan to celebrate at "...your school and my school..." on April 5, 2014!

Alumnae Calendar of Events for the 2013 -2014 School Year

SEPTEMBER 24 – Mercy Day

OCTOBER 6 – Open House for prospective students

OCTOBER 8 – Alumnae Association General meeting

OCTOBER 16 – Alumnae Social Tea: Class 1931 to 1958

OCTOBER 17 – MMA Designer Bag Bingo

NOVEMBER 8, 9, 10 – MMMT Drama

NOVEMBER 17 – MMA Fashion Show

DECEMBER 17 – Carol Night Concert and Alumnae Evening

JANUARY 2 – College Alum Day at MMA

JANUARY 17 – Alumnae Association Luncheon meeting

FEBRUARY 12,13,19,20 – Phonathon

FEBRUARY 28, MARCH 1,2, 7 -9 – MMMT Musical

MARCH 22 – Sip 'n Bid

APRIL 5 – Meri-union: Alumnae Mass, Reception, and Reunion Dinner

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2012-2013 ANNUAL REPORT

Our Thanks for the Many Generous Gifts of Time, Talent, and Treasure

Merion Mercy Academy wishes to honor the committed leadership and dedication of the many volunteers and donors who have selflessly contributed to our school community. These lists were prepared with careful attention to accuracy. With a report of this nature, mistakes can occur. We apologize in advance for any errors or omissions. If any errors are found, please contact Kristina Stanton Cawley '90, Director of Communications, 610-664-6655, ext. 160 or kcawley@merion-mercy.com.

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Sister Elaine Schaeffer, RSM
Development Office Assistant, ext. 182

On the cover:
The iPad is an essential part of each student's toolkit, enhancing her learning experience.

A Letter from Sister Barbara

With a grateful heart, I thank our wonderful alumnae, our generous parents, past and present, and our many friends. Our volunteer base is more active than ever, solidifying the school community, which we all cherish. Moreover, the vibrant spirit of MMA today is reflected in the strong financial support we saw in the 2012-13 school year. I thank Charlie and Annette Brennan, co-chairs of the 2012-13 Annual Fund, for leading this very successful year.

Overall we raised $810,070.56, a combination of a strong Annual Fund, successful special events, and generous Gifts-in-Kind. The Annual Fund in particular made great strides, raising $682,835.71. This total is nearly $230,000 over last year's revenue, reflecting a 50% increase. This year, we offered our first ever Alumnae Challenge to boost participation, and it worked! Three past parent donors joined forces to create a $45,000 Challenge Grant to encourage new and increased gifts from MMA graduates. As a result, we watched alumnae participation rise from 9.7% last year to 15.6% this year. With this great response, we raised over $45,000 more in new or increased alumnae gifts, matching every challenge dollar.

Generation after generation of graduates attests to how a Merion Mercy education enriches the heart, the soul, and the mind. We alumnae are bound together by a joyous spirit. I know this, and our parents know it too. The Challenge Grant was inspired by the desire for alumnae to take an increasingly active role in supporting Merion. We are delighted that so many answered the call.

This year, we targeted three specific goals to improve our students' daily experience and now we can move forward with confidence to address the following areas:

- **Sustain and enhance our commitment to digital learning today and digital life tomorrow.**
- **Attract and retain talented faculty, and provide state-of the-art professional development.**
- **Address campus needs and implement up-to-date security measures.**

We also made great progress in our ability to fund scholarships through donations made possible by the Pennsylvania Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) and Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credit (OSTC) programs. We received $288,700 from local businesses, notably including companies where Merion Mercy parents hold a leadership position. This funding allows us to attract and retain excellent students coming from a wide variety of backgrounds, further enriching the Merion Mercy experience.

I thank all of you who supported Merion with your time, talent, and treasure, bringing us such success. Your commitment to our mission—teaching young women to live Mercy and seek justice—inspires me every day.

In Mercy,

Sister Barbara Buckley '72
Principal

2012-2013 **Fundraising Revenue**

	DOLLARS	DONORS
Annual Fund Donations	**$682,835.71**	**831**
Gifts-in-Kind	**$35, 915.61**	**8**
Special Events	**$91,319.24**	
Fashion Show:	$9,613.99	
Sip 'n Bid:	$81,705.25	
TOTAL	**$810,070.56**	

Gifts of Time and Talent

Merion Mercy recognizes the many volunteers who dedicated countless hours to our school community. These volunteers include alumnae, moms, dads, teachers, administrators, and staff, who worked with us to live out the Merion Mercy mission. We thank every volunteer, named and unnamed, for their great generosity of spirit.

Board of Trustees

The following men and women gave gifts of leadership and commitment in their service as Trustees for the 2012-2013 school year.

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Vice President for
Administration and Finance
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Villanova, PA

Sister Barbara, on behalf of the entire Merion Mercy community, extends heartfelt gratitude to Charlie and Annette Brennan for their leadership and commitment as Co-Chairs of the 2012-2013 Annual Fund. The Brennans, enthusiastic supporters of Merion Mercy, are the parents of Amanda '09 and Christina '14.

Annette and Charlie Brennan, 2012-2013 Annual Fund Co-Chairs

Merion Mercy Academy Board of Trustees 2012-2013 Committees

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Principal

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Vice Chair

Mr. William Githens
Finance Committee Chair

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Chair

Freshmen pause for a spiritual sharing in the chapel l. to r. Lucy Fanto, Mae Evans, Kathryn Derewicz, and Sabrina Ciervo.

Sister Barbara Buckley '72
Mrs. Gail Connor
Mrs. Marianne Grace

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Mr. Dennis Murphy
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Christine Brisbin Schuck '95

Strategic Planning Committee

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Kathleen Gaval, Ed.D.
Mr. William Githens
Mrs. Marianne Grace

Gifts of Time and Talent

Alumnae Association

Our Alumnae Association officers, together with their volunteer committees, support alumnae connections with MMA. Activities range from reunion outreach with classmates to involvement with the students here and now. We thank our Alumnae Association for their multifaceted support of our school.

Alumnae Association Officers 2012 -2013

Barbara Colantuono Harrison '82
President

Claire Brennan Sereni '74
Secretary

Lauren Daley '06
Treasurer

Clare Tracy '00
Career & Mentoring Officer

Linda Miele Benton '75
Alumnae Association Coordinator

Mothers' Club

Our Mothers' Club sustains important activities that strengthen our spirit and community. We encourage all mothers to join in these fun and memorable experiences, which include planning and participating in the Mother/Daughter Fashion Show, Sip 'n Bid and numerous other special events.

Mothers' Club Officer 2012-2013

Catherine Williamson Sabia '85
President

Fathers' Club

The Fathers' Club works to foster the MMA tradition of supporting the father-daughter connection. All fathers are invited to become active members. Merion fathers sponsor several school events, ranging from community service to enjoyable sporting events, as well as providing essential volunteer service to the school.

Fathers' Club Officers 2012-2013

Mr. John Mullen
President

Mr. Daniel Walsh
Vice President

2012 Mother/Daughter Fashion Show

On Sunday, November 4, 2012, Merion Mercy held its annual Mother/Daughter Fashion Show with a theme of "Breakfast at Tiffany's" and fashions by Nicole Miller Philadelphia. Featuring fun, fashion, and fantasy on the runway, this year's event was a huge success raising $9,613.99. We thank the dedicated volunteers who worked tirelessly and gave generously to create such a wonderful memory for the record number of MMA moms, daughters, alumnae, and friends who attended.

Event Co-Chairs

Lisa Nicolella Farrell '78
Mrs. Colette Gabriel

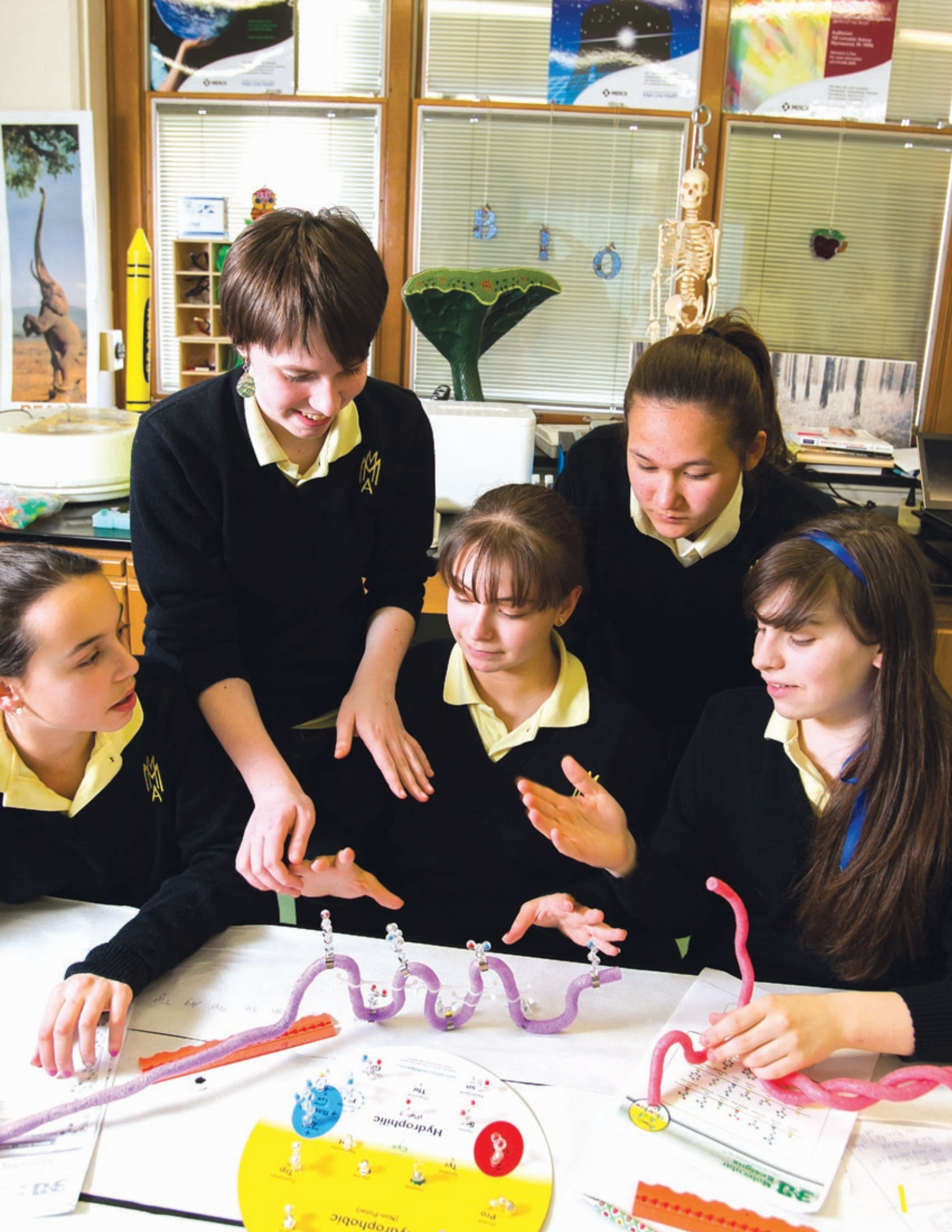
Sip 'n Bid 2013

On Saturday, March 16, 2013, Merion hosted its 36th annual Sip 'n Bid, featuring Philadelphia's premier Irish band, Blackthorn. Our special thanks to the Connor Family and the Rooney Family who generously sponsored the live music by Blackthorn. Sip 'n Bid is the school's oldest and largest special event, providing fun and fellowship for Merion families and alumnae, while raising funds to support the current needs of our students. Thank you to the many MMA parents, alumnae, faculty, staff, students, and friends who helped Sip 'n Bid 2013 raise $81,705.25. Countless volunteers gave generously of their time, talent, and treasure, and we appreciate each and every one of you.

Event Co-Chairs

Sam and Colette Gabriel
Bruce and Karin LaMonaca

MMA Moms at the Mother-Daughter Fashion Show l. to r. Leslie Pellegrino, Collette Gabriel, Lisa Nicolella Farrell '78, and Lorraine Backe.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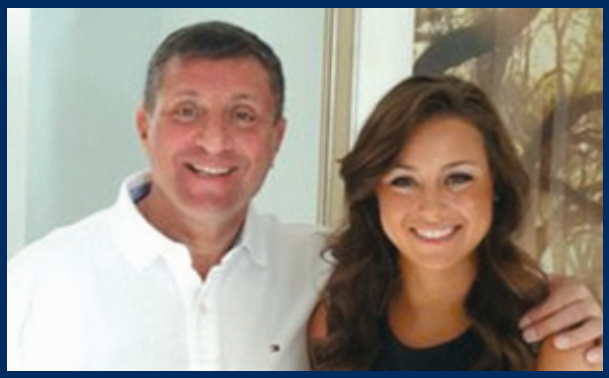
ALUMNAE MET THE CHALLENGE – aMMAzing!

ALUMNAE SUPPORT IS CRUCIAL TO SUSTAINING the Merion Mercy legacy of excellence, benefiting young women today and tomorrow. **WE EXTEND HEARTFELT THANKS TO OUR MANY WONDERFUL ALUMNAE** who supported Merion Mercy with new or increased gifts. From near and far, graduates of every decade rose to meet the Challenge.

Every new or increased gift from Merion alumnae was matched by three past parent donors who created a combined Challenge Grant of $45,000 for the 2012-13 fiscal year. Throughout this campaign, MMA graduates answered the call, right up to the last day, June 30, 2013. New and increased gifts from Merion alumnae totaled just over $45,000, successfully meeting our Challenge Grant!

One of our Challenge Grant donors Michael Guzzardi, father of Jennifer Guzzardi '10, said, "I wanted to create an incentive for all alumnae to support Merion Mercy to ensure the long term success of this wonderful school. A Merion Mercy education is the ideal preparation for college and for life, guiding each of our students to her personal best. I am delighted that so many Merion alumnae played a role in meeting this challenge."



Michael Guzzardi and daughter Jennifer '10

MMA alumnae rose to the Alumnae Challenge with

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new and increased gifts.

Sister Mary Antonita Tobin, RSM '41
Josephine Keough Riedel '42
Mary Smith Stuart '42
Dolores Thompson Zeller '47
Ann Claire Baxter Brecker '48
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Mother Catherine McAuley, foundress of the Sisters of Mercy, continually addressed the needs of those in her community. Whether their needs were educational, physical, or spiritual, Catherine McAuley was a witness to the merciful presence of God in our world. Inspired by Mother McAuley's commitment to cultivate mercy in the lives of others, Merion Mercy designates a level of giving to enable Sister Barbara Buckley to respond to the needs of our 21st century learning community.

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1940
Marie Louise Mullen

1941
Sister Mary Antonita Tobin, RSM

1942
Elizabeth MacFarland McKeown
Josephine Keough Riedel
Mary Smith Stuart

1944
Margaretta Richardi

1945
Mitzi Derham O'Neill
Marie Silcox Wiley

1946
Patricia Carville Haley
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1947
Sister Jean Burns, RSM
Elizabeth Headly Pilot
Dolores Thompson Zeller

1948
Ann Claire Baxter Brecker
Kathleen Joyce Breslin
Patricia Carbine
Adair Ritte Considine
Margaret Graves Ewing
Joan Geraghty
Veronica Haughey Heron
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1949
Mary Baxter Donnelly
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Kathleen McGillicuddy Kelly
Carolyn Coady Lea
Marylouise Wack Reumont
Delories Richardi
Doris Hurley Savitsky
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1950
Kathleen McCosker Brennan
Margaret Kung-Ting Liu
Helen O'Neill May
Bernice Murphy

1951
Helen Devine Coen
Sister Miriam de Lourdes Hunter, RSM
Caroline Larkin
Joyce Edmiston Shew
Joan Keller Tibbetts

1953
Dolinda Martell Balch
Elizabeth Joyce Bracken
Paula Cotter Burns
Ann Curtis
Laura Drinkhouse Dell
Marilyn Reisman Fitzgerald
Helen McEwen Gleason
Frances McLaughlin Maguire
Imogene Haenn Rainey
Margaret Melody Rock

1954
Meredith Smith Jones
Jean Lynch Lawrence
Kathryn Farrell Lipp
Patricia Lynch McTague
Helen Raquet Mogel
Dolores Mahony Velez

1955
Daria Slentz Corey
Jane Callan Dougherty
Mary Ann Bruder Flanigan
Josephine Fortunato Giacchino
Martha Wolfington Gillin
Judith Hudson Huffaker
Roseann Dougherty Miller
Sister Mary O'Connell, RSM
Dorothy Lehman Werner
Jane Dagit Young

1956
Kathleen Ryan Bruder
Lynne Hunt McCabe
Rosalinda Colonna Ronco Serrilla
Beverly Mugrauer Sutcliffe

1957
Sally O'Neill Foley
Mary Rowley Foster
Susan Palmer Jennings
Barbara Hayden Kearns
Catherine Delaney Langdon
Joan Lyon
Mary Teresa Bannon Moreno
Elaine Miele Pasmore
Leonide Campbell Prince
Mary Jane Young Shor

1958
Maureen Mahony Atkins
Patricia Agerty Conroy
Rosemary Armon Crawford
Eleanor Dougherty Currie
Miriam Glielmi DiGiacomo
Lydia DiPietro
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Elizabeth Brown Ehrsam
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Jeannette Hudson
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Ellen Gowen McNeill
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Mary Ellen Ryan

1959
Monica Anastasi Bove
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Catherine Bannon Halloran
Kathleen Drummond Kautzky
Adrienne Pie
Anne Mansfield Quinn
Marie Miele Ronayne
Rosee Uttal-Duffy

The Class of 1948 and 1958 are tied for the highest rate of Alumnae Participation at 50%.

Recognition by Affiliation

The class of 1958 celebrates fifty five years as Mater graduates at Meri-union 2013 l. to r. Ellen Gowen McNeill, Eleanor Dougherty Currie, C. Tina Buttacavoli Petrone, Mary Ann Dugan Leeper, Lydia DiPietro, and Miriam Glielmi DiGiacomo.

1960

Sally Shoemaker Abbruzzi
Sister Rosellen Bracken, RSM
Helen Martin Carter
Carol Ann Reinhart Dresden
Mary Frantz
Patricia Rachor Hendrick
Sharon Kane Klammer
Joanne Dimidio Sabatini

1961

Marguerite Walsh Arbuckle
Nancy Eyanson Brenek
Janice Kuryloski Carson
Maureen McKeegan Cullen
Ann McGuiness Gaimster
Sheila Harron
Frances Lunney
Edith Bradley McGinn
Kathleen Quaid-Weisz
Catherine Haenn Shannon
Christine Schina Stayton
Virginia Weber Weber

1962

Bernadette Naughton DeArmond
Sister Maria DiBello, RSM
Helen Fiorello Donoghue
Margaret MacAllister Flynn
Louise Drinkhouse Grude
Kathleen O'Sullivan Hinckle
Jeanne Lane
Denise Brennan Mattia
Anne McManus McGeough
Rita DiSciascio Morley
Sister Ann O'Connell, RSM
Patrice McElroy Temple-West

1963

Carolyn Welch Adamson
Barbara McCormick Atkins
Sister Frances Boyle, RSM
Rita McGann Burkhardt
Kathleen Brogan Dickey
Helen Chain Godonis
Cynthia Kane Horgan
Marguerite Dougherty MacDonald
Candace Reinhart McCabe
Rosemary Ryan McCarty
Regina Sullivan Mulcahy
Linda Kilker Sparks
Carolyn Hitz Stewart

1964

Candida Lorusso Antonelli
Carol Pearce Bennett
Leslie Berkman
Irene Horstmann Hannan
Joan Mastrangelo Marter
Frances McElroy
Anne O'Sullivan
Sister Ann Provost, RSM
Marilyn Lamb Steidle
Cynthia Porreca Wein
Anne Miller Zartarian

1965

Kathryn Walls Chan
Ann Hogan Connor
Josephine DiSciascio
Cecile Hisler Fetters
Ruth Ann Clay Llewellyn
Cecilia Sable McGuffey
Susan Miller
Rhonda Kuckuck Poli
Mary Mellon Trotter
Barbara Doley Waddy

1966

Hedwig Cerwinka
Christine McNichol Hill
Nancy Maguire Lawler
Maureen Shields Manion
Mary Jane Drummond Smith
Virginia Hauserman Sten

1967

Theresa Mellon Little
Barbara Eni Ristaino
Sharon Gough Sullivan

1968

Diane Mailey Brandolini
Angelica Cassizzi Cprek
Mary Schrandt Curtius
Jeanne Devine
Eileen Daly Killeen

1969

Sally Ann Ayerle Corbley
Kathleen Stiles Fimple
Elizabeth Provost
Karen Drueding Rinaldi
Barbara Teti Tretta

1970

Eileen Sweeney Brazitis
Annabelle Logue Curran
Patricia McGuire
Deborah Conway Potter
Kathleen Ryan Prebble
Kathleen Kelly Staudt

1971
Patricia Flatley Brennan
Anita Drummond Bronstein
Julia Bruno
Kathryn Williamson Doyle
Patricia McHugh Gernerd
Kathleen McGinty
Patricia Moody
Joan Shelly
F. Patricia Givens Spall

1972
Maria Miele Boyd
Kathleen Sitley Brown
Sister Barbara Buckley
Maureen Sweeney Byrne
Susan Barton Carroll
Suzanne Saluti Dunphy
Agnes Shields Finigan
Kathleen Devine Hendrickson
Patricia McCue
Maria Pierangeli Murphy
Helen Centofanti Peatross
Gail DeVecchis Wygant

1973
Kathleen Flatley Bandos
Anne-Marie Barcia de Leiva
Marianne Drueding Cornely
Dorothy Mantini Daniel
Katherine Barone Furia
Carol Shea Gallagher
Mary Ellen Jacobs Giordano
Rosemary Origlio Koss
Jane Nolan
Helen Williamson Pritchard
Loretta Tiers Ross

1974
Patricia Bonner
Marianne Corr
Sharon Kelly Hake
Gloria LaNoce Luff
Claire Brennan Sereni
Nancy Williamson

1975
Linda Miele Benton
Peggy Ayers Briggs
Joan Esmonde
Mary Lucy Hauserman
Ellen Coffey Hurley
Lori Zeller Lesutis
Irene McAleer
Mary Jo McWilliams
Margaret Shields Roe
Cecilia Capuzzi Simon
Carol O'Shea Sinclair
Laura Stubbs
Mary Ellen Reilly Tucker

1976
Mary Louise Catania Esten
Marcia Hadfield Niznan
Rosemary O'Neill

1977
Elizabeth Murphy Barlow
Deborah DiMarzio
Marguerite Esmonde
Mimi Wolfington Heany
Katie Duffy Keating
Lizanne Williamson McCreight
Ann Marie Taylor McShea

1978
Alison Boles Casey
Lisa Nicolella Farrell
Lisa Miriello Gatta
Kathryn McCormick Gresh
Lisa Cummins Harrington
Regina Stango Kelbon
Suzanne McGettigan Kelly
Madeleine Shea McKnight
Diane Dooner Murphy
Leslie Drialo Ryan
Mary Joan Robinson Shields
Bernadette Milani Sweeney

1979
Geraldine Blavat
Anna Marie Bonfini Burgio
Sandra Santoleri DeOrzio
Mary Anne McEwen Eagan
Marie Caccese Gilligan
Suzanne Ayella Holton
Donna DiGiacomo Patchett
Maureen McEwen Reilly
Ellen Koletas Sullivan

1980
Maureen McGarry Becker
Charlene Williams Heard
Christina Feo Penezic
Marian Schneider
Ellen Byrnes Willcox

1981
Penny Chester
Lorraine Gattone Hagendorf
Lisa Mazzola
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1982
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Highest Class Participation – TOP FIVE

1. *Class of 1948 and *Class of 1958, tied for first place - **50%**

3. *Class of 1953 - **48%**

4. Class of 1949 - **47%**

5. Class of 1955 - **35%**

** Reunion Years*

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More than 70 years of MMA alumnae contributed to make the 2012-13 Annual Fund a success.

1983
Portia Bonavitacola
Kathryn Van Allen Horn
Jacquelyn Ameye Jordan
Anne Kelly King
Kathleen Oldfield
Evelyn Sample-Oates
Rosemary Gonnelli Smith

1984
Ann DiPietro Rispo
Janet Young Spillane

1985
Martha Miele Davis
Ira Jones-Cimini
Lisa Riddell Kahudic
Susan Harkness Regli
Catherine Williamson Sabia
Deanna Slota
Helen Travascio Stetser
Jacquelyn DiOttavio Thomas

1986
Sonia Giordano Colavita
Donna DiGravio
Renee Florence Healy
Kristin Galli Krauss
Linda DiOttavio Murray
Paula Ryan

1987
Christine Lanatto Arnold
Fran Bateman Bisselle
Jennifer Baldino Bonett
Joanne Calabrese, D.O.
Josephine Canci Clancy
Mary C. O'Neill Fitzpatrick
Rosemarie Angelucci Sciulli

1988
Ann Fergione Angelone
Maria Carabello
Bethanne Devine
Marlo Pagano Kelleher
Marlo Sawka Parlin

1989
Colleen Barrett
Angela David Beatty
Angela Saccomandi Dunn
Kara Morley Frech
Monica Shea Glick
Teresa Melnick King
Theresa Burns Mullen
Bridget Flatley Shea
Antonietta Barbaro Ventresca
Allison Walker
Jeannine Modres Wyke

1990
Rebecca Rimmer Antczak
Kristina Stanton Cawley
Tracey Quinlan Dougherty
Joan Marie Surosky Given
Denise DeVlieger Koenig
Karen Whitaker Sorensen

1991
Kristen Baldini Gorman
Kristyn Rudnick Hopkins

1992
Kathryn Kane Beck
Kelly Cook
Heather McAleer Peterson
Amy Vanni

1993
Irene Wilkinson Best
Catherine Devlin Brogan
Susan Momenee Cush
Bernadette Woodhull Martell
Emily Dolan Multari
Kristin Murray Nash
Susan Cobaugh Steinmetz

1994
Christine Brogan
Nicole LaBletta

1995
Siobhan Leavy Buttil
Gina Papatolis D'Angelo
Nicole Nanni DeAngelo
Mary Beth Weston Ertel
Colleen Powers O'Driscoll
Jessica Jenkins Pullano
Jante Santos Turner

1996
Kathleen Fry Campbell
Linda Quinlan D'Orazio
Colleen Kearns
Susan Matson Lynch
Elise Lyver
Jillian Wojciechowski

1997
Paula DiStefano
Sara Flounders
Michelle Bucci Frey
Christa Scarpone Lynch
Katherine Turner

1998
Cara Calciano Gaslevich
Ariel Johns
Sarah Weston Johnston
Jessica Hepp Kraus
Janine LaBletta
Lizann Gallagher McLaughlin
Ellen Press
Maribeth Wechsler

1999
Kate DiSipio Avitabile
Bridget Timby Comly
Kerry Doyle
Mia Longo Dutton
Dru Brazitis Kuhn
Elizabeth O'Brien
Colleen Deegan Smith
Adrianne Walvoord Webb
Zeina Ghayad Wehbe

2000
Maura Cunningham
Devin Finn
Lisa von dem Hagen Havens
Bridget Fazio Hodgson
Kathleen Welsh Kwaitt
Anne Doyle Maloney
Melinda Richards McCann
Maureen Brogan Roberts

Jennifer Ryan
Killeen Shuda
Kathryn Dintino Silberstein

2001

Maureen McShane Chrest
Gina Troncelliti Daley
Christa Sweeney Doherty
Giulia Fiorile
Maureen Hill
Kathleen Lamb
Christina Matticola Mundy
Gina Peracchia Nash
Patricia Silva

2002

Teresa Bruno Baumann
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Alum moms pose with their daughters in the class of 2017. Front l. to r. MaryCate Markey, Marlowe Gelbraith, Felicia Sciulli, Daniela Sciulli, Julia Riccitelli, and Gianna Penezic. Back l. to r. Colleen Fitzpatrick Markey '83, Martha Heil Gelbraith '86, Rosemarie Angelucci Sciulli '87, Gina Ronfini Riccitelli '83, and Christina Feo Penezic '80

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Cecilia Camardo
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Laura Burkey
Ann Elizabeth Fitzpatrick
Mary Theresa Limbach
Devon McChesney McKenna
Caitlin O'Shea
Jessica Rossello
Sarah Sanchez
Mary Siegfried
Meagan Sloan

2007

Nicole Addis
Elena Benton
Emily Friedlander
Erika Javage
Colleen King
Joan Koob
Lindsay McDonnell
Colleen Meehan
Phoebe Mellen
Maria Elena Nieves
Kathryn Penza
Victoria Zimmerman

2008

Mackenzie Hofman
Kristen Kocher
Moriah Mifka
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Katherine Moran
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Adrianna Savarese
Meghan Taylor
Theresa Testa

2009

Ashley Baxter
Eileen Browne
Kelly D'Addona
Michelle Gerace
Meghan Githens
Kimberly Keenen
Nicole Kelbon
Colleen McGinnis
Kathleen McLaverty
Elizabeth McManus
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Bridget Siegfried

2010

Gina Angelo
Sarah Benton

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Sophia Raptis
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2011

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Tara Halt
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