

MERCY CONNECTIONS

Summer 2019

*You are cordially invited to attend the
“Mercy through the Decades” Reunion Luncheon
honoring...*



Sr. Monica Henkemeier, RSM '58



Barbara Ramsey Kiley '64



Sr. Helen Lyons, RSM



Mrs. Joan Gordon

*on
Saturday, October 19, 2019
at
The Mansion at Oyster Bay*



Sr. Patricia Hartigan, RSM

Details and response form inside

MERCY THROUGH THE DECADES 2019 REUNION INFORMATION

Saturday, October 19, 2019 at The Mansion at Oyster Bay

Luncheon: 11:00 AM

Tours at OLMA: 3:30 PM

Family Mass: 5:00 PM



All classes are welcome to attend and to pay tribute to our 2019 honorees: Sr. Patricia Hartigan, RSM; Sr. Monica Henkemeier, RSM '58; Mrs. Joan Gordon; Sr. Helen Lyons, RSM; and Barbara Ramsey Kiley '64.



Siblings, Joanne Murphy Fusco '71 and Suzanne Murphy Muller '75



Ashley Morris '10 and mom, Allison Murray Morris '83



Madeline Dore Hackett '68 and daughter, Katherine Hackett '07



Boca Raton, Florida

Mercy on the Move



Baltimore, Maryland



Washington, D.C.



Vero Beach, Florida



Boston, Massachusetts

Class Notes

2020 "Mercy on the Move" Dates

March 2020

Florida

April 2020

Baltimore, Washington, D.C., and Philadelphia

June 2020

Boston

We would like to reconnect with OLMA alumnae in the following areas: Raleigh, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Chicago, Dallas, and Denver. Please email pdilollo@olma.org, if you would like to connect with other alumnae in your area.

Pat Milton '66 was inducted into the Journalism Hall of Fame of the Press Club of Long Island, celebrating her career at The Associated Press and now at CBS News. "For me, journalism is not just a job. It's a calling. A lifelong vocation. I thank God I was blessed with this magnificent gift that keeps on giving." Pat is currently the Senior Producer of the Investigative Unit at CBS News and a Co-Producer at **60 Minutes**. (Pictured above is CBS News President, Susan Zieinsky, Pat Milton, and CBS Correspondent Bob Orr.)



Doreen Bolger '67, retired Director (1998--2015) of The Baltimore Museum of Art (BMA), MD, welcomed Baltimore alumnae into her art-filled home on May 15. She has interacted with artists, leading museums, universities, and art schools

in the nation over a forty-plus-year career. Doreen served as a curator at The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY, from 1975--1989, and the Amon Carter Museum of American Art, Fort Worth, TX, from 1989--1994. She was Director of the Rhode Island School of Design Museum, Providence, from 1994--1998, and has been an adjunct professor at Brown University and Johns Hopkins University.

Marilyn O'Connor Dimling '70 is a 1974 graduate of Marymount College. She was recognized with the Marymount Gloria Gaines Award for service to one's college and church. This award has been given out since 1961, when the Gaines family commissioned the award in memory of their daughter who attended Marymount College.

Diane Palamara Trupia '71 relocated to Fort Meyers, FL, and will be organizing a Naples/Fort Meyers OLMA alumnae group.

Geri Murphy Emmett '74 hosted a wonderful gathering in Boca Raton, FL at Duffy's Sports Grill in March.

Debbie Smiloff De Louise '78 published the mystery *Sea Scope* in May 2019 through Creativia Publishing. This was Debbie's 7th novel. Debbie De Louise is an award-winning author and a reference librarian at Hicksville Public Library.

JoAnne Irace Duffy '81 is a Director with Alex Brown Inc.. She was named Raymond James and Associates ("RJA's") 2018 Branch Administrative Manager of the Year during the annual Manager's Conference in St. Petersburg, FL. JoAnne serves on OLMA's Board of Directors and is the parent of OLMA graduate Olivia '15.

Mary Brosky '86 is Development Manager at the Cerebral Palsy Association of Nassau County (CP Nassau).



Lifelong friends from the Class of 1962 gathered in Sea Island, GA.

Seated: Joan Buzzallino, Claire Gittleson Reid, Jinny Turecano Newman
Standing: Connie McGinty Tallman, and Ellen Mulhall Morrell

Keeping Up

OLMA Alumnae Association

OLMA Alumnae Association meetings are open to all who wish to attend. Some of the topics that are discussed are upcoming events, volunteer opportunities, networking, and philanthropic goals. The meetings begin at 7:00 PM and last approximately one hour.

The following are the meeting dates for the 2019--2020 school year:

Tuesday, September 17
Tuesday, October 22
Tuesday, January 21
Tuesday, March 10
Tuesday, May 12

Pray the Rosary with the Sisters of Mercy



On the first Friday of each month, members of the Alumnae Association gather with the Sisters of Mercy to pray the Rosary at noon. Join us as we pray in the Chapel or join by phone by calling 712-775-7300 PIN 921400. All are welcome. Email or call Pat DiLollo to sign-up for a reminder.

If you would like more information about the OLMA Alumnae Association or becoming a class representative, please email olmaalumnae@gmail.com.

Keeping OLMA in the Family - 2019 Graduation



Noelle 15 and Eleanor '19
De Martini



Jim Kinney, Dolores O'Hara,
Dick O'Hara, Michaela '19,
Caroline '13, Jane '22, and
Annmarie O'Hara Kinney '83



Kasey '12, Erin '19, and
Kerry '12 McCrossen



Barbara Ramsey Kiley '64 and
Marykate Kiley '19



Marianne Hill Day '83 and
Geneveive Day '19



Katherine '21 and Vicky '19
Likourezos

With OLMA

Focus on the Future: Career Day December 6, 2019

Career Day begins at 8:00 AM and ends at 2:00 PM. If you would like to volunteer to become a panelist, mentor, or presenter at Career Day, kindly email Pat DiLollo.



Alexandra Carter '93 will be the Keynote Speaker for Career Day on Friday, December 6, 2019.

OUR LADY OF MERCY ACADEMY'S ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

presents

Focus on the Future Mercy Mentors



Ginny Saladino Ewen '76, Monica Mattei '17, and Kassi Jata '16

This summer marks the third year that OLMA grads who are now college juniors and seniors are invited to participate in the Focus on the Future: Mercy Mentor Program. This innovative program pairs OLMA Mentors with college students who are looking for guidance in various career paths.

Christmas Tea Saturday, December 7, 2019

The Annual Christmas Tea will be held in OLMA's auditorium on Saturday, December 7th, from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Proceeds support the Sister Jackie Walsh Angel Fund.

Enjoy an afternoon of shopping, raffles, delectable delights, and an uplifting presentation from our guest author, Jacqueline DeStefano '11.

Reserve your table early, as this popular event sells out fast.



Dina Frinquelli Titus '95, Darci Frinquelli '06, and Christina Illig Margoulis '06 at the 2018 Christmas Tea

Tower Run Date Change



For the past twelve years, the Tower Run has been held in the fall.

Due to calendar conflicts, the next Tower Run will be held on **Saturday, April 4, 2020.**

The proceeds from this event funds the Mustang Award and the Mary Jo Lorello Award. Both awards are tuition assistance awards. For all who live nearby and enjoy a fun walk/run, please consider supporting this event. Strollers and family pets are welcome!

Class

Sinéad M. Kennedy Basile '94 is a LCSW, CASAC with over fifteen years of experience as a marriage, family, group, and individual therapist. She currently serves as a private practitioner in Roslyn Heights, working with a broad spectrum of clients. Some areas of expertise are adolescent girls' & women's issues, addictive disorders, impulse disorders, eating disorders, relationship/family/marital conflict, codependency, divorce mediation, parent/child relational problems, trauma, and PTSD.

Alison Morris '97 joined *NBC News NOW* as an anchor.

Jessica Copeland '98 was honored to be sworn in as a Federal Court Mediator for WDNY. She is looking forward to the opportunity to facilitate business dispute resolutions in her home district. Specializing in IP, data privacy, and cybersecurity, Jessica is a Partner at Hodgson Russ LLC.

Jamie Seidman Bremnes, DDS, '99 was named one of the top 40 dentists under 40 in the USA. Jamie has a practice in Garden City and in NYC.

Erin O'Kane '00 is the Administrative Assistant at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Greenwich Village.

Jeannine Pesce '01 and her husband, Nick, gave birth to a son in April 2019.

Stephanie Di Mari '05 was promoted to Director at Major League Soccer.

Josine Vetrano '05 was married at Corpus Christi Church in June 2019.



Alexandra Sloane '05 earned her PhD in Philosophy with a major in Instructional Leadership for Changing Populations. Her other degrees include a BS in 2009 at Loyola College, an MAT in 2010 at Johns Hopkins, and an MS in 2013 at Hood College.

Kelly Holzkamp '06 is currently the Design Manager at Henning Larsen.

Gina DeStefano Zannetti '06 graduated from Columbia University with a PhD in Genetics and is now working at a medical research company in NYC.



Maggie Ewen '07 received the HANYS (Healthcare Administrators of New York State) Pinnacle Award for her work on ventilator-associated pneumonia in adult trauma patients.

This project successfully reduced the rate of ventilator-associated pneumonia in adult trauma patients by achieving culture change through multidisciplinary efforts and empowerment. Interventions

included data analysis to determine the most at-risk patients, ventilator care protocols, an oral care tracking system, analgesia/sedation guidelines, and real-time monitoring. Successful results include: Compliance with the ventilator "bundle" of care protocols increased from 93% to 100%. All intensive care units in the hospital now use a standard ventilator bundle on all mechanically-ventilated patients.

Diana Keenan '07 received her MBA at NYU Stern and will be moving to the West Coast as Senior Financial Analyst for Amazon.

Gaelan Finnerty '08 was married at St. Dominic's Church in Oyster Bay in June 2019. She was surrounded by many OLMA alums! Pictured top row: Marybeth Lidestri Tully '77, Courtney Cronauer '02, Claire Tully '13, Lisbeth Souther Finnerty '79, Diana Keenan '07, Kristin DeRespiris '08. Bottom row: Grace McDonald '11, Gaelan Finnerty '08, Brook Mangan '11, and Arrial Finnerty '08.



Megan Stewart '08 became engaged in early summer.

Katie Wicks '10 is Partnerships Manager, International Development, at International Rescue Committee (IRC).

Courtney Chmil '11 works for Rockefeller Capital Management, a financial services firm that operates three lines of business: Global Family Office, Asset Management, and Strategic Advisory.

Are you a snowbird? Do you head down south to escape the frigid temperatures of winter? Do you want to reconnect with members of the Mercy family?

Email Pat DiLollo to share your winter contact information.

Notes



Jacqueline DeStefano '11 is a certified public accountant at Price Waterhouse and has recently written a book entitled **Water Lilies**. She will be the guest speaker at the Christmas Tea in December.

Caroline Shank, MD, '11 graduated from SUNY Upstate Medical University. She will continue her medical education with a pediatric residency at Cohen Children's Medical Center in New Hyde Park.

Mary Awad '12 is Assistant Digital Marketing Manager at HomeServe USA.

Brittany Shepherd '12 is starting a new position as National Politics Reporter at Yahoo! News.

Eri Imai '13 is starting a new position as Actuarial Associate at Buck.

Courtney Lynch '14 is in graduate school at Adelphi University, pursuing her MA in Education.

Meghan O'Shea '15 is proud to have graduated from Fairfield University and received a BS in Nursing. She is excited to pursue her dream of becoming a nurse.

Shannon Orr '19 Receives the Kathy Stewart Memorial Award



Siblings Megan Stewart '08 and Katie Stewart '10 presented OLMA graduate Shannon Orr with the first annual Kathy Stewart Memorial Award. This award is in honor of their mother, Kathy Harned Stewart '71. It is awarded to a graduating senior who has been accepted to a four-year nursing program, has maintained an 80% or above grade-point average, and has met additional criteria.

There is an annual fundraiser held in Kathy's honor to raise funds for this award. If you would like to donate, please email meggstewart@hotmail.com.

Thank you Maureen Geraty Leness '60 for hosting the first Mercy East End Gathering!



Seated from left to right:

Janet White Robinson '49, Pat Genovese DiLollo '70, Barbara St. Thomas Evans '64, and Ellen Davidson Baer '57

Standing from left to right:

Cathy Ruane Kinney '70, Maureen Geraty Leness '60, Barbara Coletti Perruzza '60, Noreen McKenna Gargiula '63, Barbara Russo '70, Denise Maloney O'Hearn '56, Margaret Myhan '70, Sister Elaine Hanson, RSM, Anne Nienstedt Field, MD '94, Mary Walsh McErlean '60, Ginny Saladino Ewen '76, and Ann Neumann '71



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Save - the - Date

September 21, 2019

OLMA's Open House
11:00 AM -- 2:00 PM

October 19, 2019

"Mercy Through the Decades"
Reunion Luncheon
11:30 AM

December 6, 2019

Focus on the Future: Career Day
8:00 AM

December 7, 2019

Christmas Tea
1:00 PM -- 4:00 PM

January 10, 2020

College Break Pizza Party

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