

## **Cor Unum Award** Associated Alumnae and Alumni of the Sacred Heart

## Pamela Moore Snyder

Periodically Presidents of AMASC write letters to our almost 40 national associations. During Pam's term of office as AMASC President from 2010-14, she once wrote that there are Alumnae in every continent except Antarctica. Why is that important? Simple: we are the educational daughters and sons of dreamers; women who dreamed of bringing the Good News of Jesus to a world that did not know him.

Picture in your mind that statue of St. Philippine with a map on her lap. Here in New Orleans, the Delery and Hills families are giving one of those statues to this school, The Rosary. That map on Philippine's lap depicts North America! Little was written on that map but Philippine dreamed of going from France to the New World...ultimately to the Potawatomi. Philippine's goal was to bring the knowledge and love of Christ to the New World. This is our mission to our world as well.

Pam, and I and most of you...are the legacy of Philippine's dream of North America. Other Religious of the Sacred Heart spread the Society to other continents. But all had one thing in common. They did not dream alone but in teams which connected the Old World to the new foundations. Many of us today believe that work is best done as a team, believe collaboration is the best way of functioning. Pam firmly believes that. Present here today are Maureen Elliott, Barbara Lopiccolo and Wendy Delery Hills, former Officers of AMASC: good team-mates.

Serving twice as President of the Arizona Association, one term on the AASH National Board, AMASC President, and now chairing the Publicity Committee of the Board of the Vatican Observatory Foundation, Pam believes that for us to carry forward the dreams of our Foundresses to better make the dreams a reality, we must partner with each other. Widening the circle of alumnae and alumni will insure we achieve St. Madeleine's Sophie's goal to show the love of God to all the world.

While Pam's relationship with the Religious of the Sacred Heart began as a college freshman at San Diego College for Women, in 1963, her first experience with religious sisters was in 1951 at St. Maur's on the Bluff in Yokohama, Japan. Four Religious of the Sacred Heart landed in Yokohama in 1908... where they were welcomed by.... the St. Maur's nuns. It is a small world.

Pam's ultimate reason for taking part in Alumnae activities has been to foster peace. If you add together, Spirituality, Education and Friendship; the sum is peace. Thank you.

Marisa Malcher New Orleans, April 27, 2019