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From the Heart ... Our Thanks to Jeanne Burke O'Fallon

the end of May, in a humble, quiet departure, Jeanne Burke O'Fallon locked up and slipped out the door of her AASH office. After 17 years, the woman who has connected thousands of alumnae and alumni has begun her retirement.

Jeanne's service is renowned, and with the announcement of her retirement, notes poured into the AASH office. Helen J. Kelly, Elmhurst Academy '59 writes, "I am so sorry that Jeanne is leaving the AASH office. She has a great heart, a wonderful work ethic, and really cares about the AASH. She will be deeply missed! Thanks for ALL that she has done for us!" Helen's sentiment was echoed over and over.

Jeanne has held us all together – by phone, by email, via the website and online community, through prayer and loving thoughts. She has sent countless messages of concern, condolence, gratitude, congratulations and love. Each summer she diligently worked to collect our newly graduated high school students' college choices so we know which schools our Sacred Heart brothers and sisters are attending. She maintained the only



Jeanne and Beth Speck accept a very generous gift from Sister Paula Toner, Provincial, on behalf of the Society of the Sacred Heart (see opposite page).

database of Sacred Heart alums in this country with more than 50,000 names and addresses. Her steadfast focus on annual giving and endowment has helped to provide operating funds for AASH and ensure the future of this organization, begun in 1933. Not only has she been an advocate for Sacred Heart alums, she has fostered strong relationships with the Network of Sacred Heart Schools and the Society of the Sacred Heart.

Jeanne admits to an "irrational love" of Sacred Heart. This love began as a student at City House, where she felt a true belonging and a soul-deep connection. When City House closed, she chose to finish her senior year in 1969 as a boarder at St. Charles. It was there she says she learned that life is not about choices and right and wrong decisions or even chance. It is all gift, experienced in the deep relationships that continued at the Academy and then at Maryville College with students and Religious, and with the glorious Sacred Heart story. It became an abiding part of her life.



Jeanne surrounded by AASH Past Presidents, from left to right: Beth Lowry Speck, Olga Seiferth Rome, Sue McPherson Lane, Nancy Ross Agnew, Jeanne Burke O'Fallon, Barbara Brown Lopiccolo, Marion E. Glennon, Marcelle Eason Amory, Toni Walsh Curry and Patsy Dickmann Sheeban.

At the National Conference in Miami, Jeanne was fêted with song, images and words. To honor her love for the written word and to recognize her ability to give us beautiful words to tell our AASH story, the Conference essay contest, open to all students in Sacred Heart schools, was named for her.

In recognition and gratitude for Jeanne's service, the Society of the Sacred Heart presented a most generous gift of

> \$20,000 to the AASH. In addition, the Board of Directors has made a gift to the AASH Endowment in Jeanne's honor and hopes others will contribute to ensure the AASH office continues to be funded.

Outgoing President Beth Lowry Speck, who has served on the AASH Board in many capacities for the last 12 years, says that Jeanne's "devotion and commitment of time have been invaluable to the success of our organization."

Jeanne's gift to alums is her knowing them – taking the time to listen, to understand, to collaborate, to remember. In Miami, she half-joked that she could start at one end of the room and name each person, relating "a moment, a story, a sharing – whether we just met at this conference or have been friends for many years – each of you has been a true gift in my life."

"Let's let the very last word be love, love in the Heart, to each dear one of you and to all my Sacred Heart friends across the country and around the world," she concluded.

With her trademark "onward and upward," Jeanne has always strived to go above and beyond, attending to the most minute details as well as the big, big picture – that of one heart encompassing all children of the Sacred Heart. She has served each of us very well, in the Heart, and for that we each thank her from the bottom of our own.

What's New at AASH ...

More than 1.000 New Member/!

We welcome more than 1,000 new alums to AASH! If you've headed off to college, finding other Sacred Heart alums on campus has never been easier. The 2011 data has been added to College Connection at www.aashnet.org (College Networking/Networking Database). This database is accessible to all alums and is a great way to connect with young alums new to your area. Be sure to check it out!

Right: Sacred Heart Prep, Atherton grad Rooney Pitchford '11 with his mother, Laura Daschbach Pitchford, St. Joseph's School of the Sacred Heart '73/Sacred Heart Prep '77, and brother, Doyle Pitchford '09.



A Most Generous Gift Marks a Milestone



At the National Conference in Miami, Sister Paula Toner, Provincial of the Society of the Sacred Heart, presented the AASH with a check for \$20,000. In part, it expressed "deep appreciation and support for our alumnae/i and for you who foster their lifelong love for learning and life-giving relationships among them through your service to AASH." Specifically, the Society paid tribute to Jeanne Burke O'Fallon, a "magnificent collaborator with the RSCJ and Province."

Sister Toner also shared some wonderful news: the Society's "In Mission for Life" campaign has reached the 75 percent mark! Their gift to the AASH acknowledges the incredible generosity of many alumnae and alumni. "With a year-and-a-half to go, we are very hopeful about reaching our campaign goal, so we are celebrating this milestone through this gift to the AASH in support of your ongoing mission and to express our deepest gratitude and affection," writes Sister Toner. "When we see how our alumnae/i are making use of their gifts, we are overwhelmed by the good God continues to do through our extended family. May that continue long into the future."

COLLEGES WITH THE MOST 2011 SACRED HEART ALUMS

College/University*	# OF ALUMS	# OF SCHOOLS
Saint Louis University	20	4
Fordham University/Georgetown University (tie)	18	10/7
University of Michigan	17	4
Stanford University/Villanova University (tie)	15	5/8
University of Notre Dame	14	10
Boston College/U. of Miami/U. of S. Calif. (tie)	13	8/5/5
College of the Holy Cross/George Washington	12	6/6/5
University/New York University (tie)		
Bucknell University/Southern Methodist U. (tie)	11	5/5
Boston University/Dartmouth College/	9	5/5/6
Wake Forest University (tie)		
Cornell University/Northwestern University (tie)	8	5/5

*Two schools are unreported at press time. Does not include state universities that have three or fewer Sacred Heart schools represented.

New Ways to Connect

SINCE JULY WE'VE LAUNCHED THREE NEW WAYS TO CONNECT AND TO SHARE STORIES AND A BIT OF SACRED HEART HISTORY.

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HTTP://AASHPRESIDENTMER.BLOGSPOT.COM/

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Au Revoir & BONJOUR

From Past President Beth Lowry Speck

It is with a grateful heart I write this message to all the friends I have made along the way as I have served AASH these past 12 years, especially so as President the last two. Every time I have had an opportunity to meet alums it has been so energizing and so much fun! I never met a stranger, since our common bond was always this Sacred Heart education we all hold so dear to our hearts.

Even months after our conference, I am still basking in the glow of Miami. We were so fortunate to have the support and vision for this conference from Sister Suzanne Cooke, Head of our school in Miami, who put together a team that was truly extraordinary. Laurie Weiss Nuell, conference chair, and Maria Cristina Garcia, Carrollton alumnae director, were both such gifts to the conference. Their leadership and attention to every detail was evident throughout the conference. Thank you for giving us an AASH conference that was thoughtful, prayerful and a celebration of life - Miami style!

Jeanne and I have both said our goodbyes. We leave AASH in good hands with Maureen Ryan as President and Susan King in the office taking care of the daily life of AASH. So I hope to see you all at regionals and in Omaha. Until then, know that every day at 2 p.m.* I will be joining you in prayer from deep in my heart.

Speed

*At our 2009 Conference in Los Angeles, a resolution was passed for alums to join in prayer at noon Pacific time (1 p.m. Mountain, 2 p.m. Central and 3 p.m. Eastern) daily to support the mission of the Society, the apostolic work of alumnae/i and the personal intentions in our hearts.



FROM PRESIDENT MAUREEN E. RYAN

This issue of *Esprit de Coeur* is filled with many wonderful images highlighting Sacred Heart alums and our relationship with each other. This issue also includes the many donors who this past fiscal year are responsible for helping to sustain our organization with their generous gifts. On behalf of the AASH Board, thank you for your participation and generosity!

The AASH 2011-2013 Board met in St. Charles this past June. It was a wonderful way to get to know one another and set in motion plans for the next biennium. In addition to establishing our Goals and Action Plans (see opposite page), we also experienced a personal tour of where Philippine lived and slept and we felt honored and privileged to have Sister Margaret Munch guide us through the Old St. Ferdinand Shrine in Florissant (where Philippine also lived). I encourage you to plan a trip to both St. Charles and Florissant, Mo., whenever possible.

As we left St. Charles for our homes and the Feast of the Sacred Heart was fast approaching, I was inspired by the experience and talent of the current Board members serving AASH. One of our goals is to better communicate with our membership and by July this goal was well under way as our Corresponding Secretary, Sara Kestner, had established both a Facebook page and Twitter account for AASH. While somewhat leery of my own social media savvy, but with little time to waste, I began a blog (http://aashpresidentmer.blogspot.com/). Many have told me that they have signed up to get an email update whenever I have a new post. I am enjoying connecting with you and look forward to joining you at upcoming Sacred Heart gatherings throughout the U.S. and Canada.

As many of you know, Jeanne Burke O'Fallon has retired after 17 devoted years of service to AASH. We did our best in Miami to fête her and wish her well as she enjoys much deserved lazy summer days and peaceful winter nights with her family and friends. There is still an opportunity to show your appreciation for Jeanne and her many years of guidance by giving to the AASH Endowment Fund. Jeanne knows that as our organization gets older we need the funding and support to keep us strong. I encourage you to make a gift in her honor.

As I said in my acceptance speech in Miami:

The last few days we have heard the words of our two beloved Saints – Madeleine Sophie Barat and Rose Philippine Duchesne and of their friendship and their life-long devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus . . . and it was the image of these two great women that set the theme for this last biennium into motion.

Let's continue to reunite, explore and share our rich history and legacy of federation, spirit and service.

I challenge all alums to build on our great brand and do the following: listen with our hearts; be communicative; be inclusive; and, lastly, let us create opportunities within our communities to build upon our Sacred

Heart relationships new and old.

MaurenE. Byon

A NEW BIENNIUM - MOVING FORWARD TO 2013

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In June, the 2011-2013 AASH Board met at the Academy of the Sacred Heart in St. Charles, Mo., to begin planning for the biennium. Pictured, front row, left to right: Russ Clever, Maria Cristina Garcia, Maureen Ryan, Mary Forsyth. Second row: Alice Burns, Wendy Buckland. Back row: Sara Kestner, Barbara Price, Susan King. Not pictured: Karen Patterson.

2011-2013 BOARD GOALS AND ACTION PLANS

Goal 1: Advance and improve communications of AASH

- Action Plan: Evaluate and enhance our printed publications
 - Evaluate and enhance our on-line communications including website, portal, e-mail and social media
- Goal II: Assist local associations in advancing their presence in the community
- Action Plan: Facilitate and communicate links to available resources
- Goal III: Evaluate the immediate and long-term needs of AASH
- Action Plan: Develop a five-year strategic plan

Goal IV: Promote service opportunities to our alumnae/i base Action Plan: • Create collaboration with service organizations

Mark your Calendar and Join us for 2012 Regional Gatherings

WESTERN REGIONAL SEATTLE/BELLEVUE, WASH. • AUGUST 10 & 11, 2012

EASTERN REGIONAL CAPE COD, MASS. • SEPTEMBER 21-23, 2012

CENTRAL REGIONAL BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MICH. • OCTOBER 19 & 20, 2012

SOUTHERN REGIONAL HOUSTON, TEXAS • NOVEMBER 2-4, 2012

CHECK WWW.AASHNET.ORG FOR DETAILS.

From the National Office



When I introduce myself, people often say, "Oh, you're the new Jeanne O'Fallon." I chuckle to myself as I think how I have known from my first interview for this position that I certainly

have big shoes to fill by following Jeanne Burke O'Fallon in the AASH Office. Jeanne is loved and missed by all and there is no way she can be replaced.

In truth, it is a bit intimidating following in the footsteps of the woman who has been the trademark of AASH for so long. Like you, I am grateful to her for all she did for AASH and the love she gave from the heart.

I am writing this to you after only a short time on the job and on the heels of the Miami National Conference and Board Meeting in St. Charles. I was overwhelmed at the warm welcome I received from all of you special Sacred Heart alums. I appreciate your patience with me as I find my way on a part-time basis.

This new Board, under the leadership of Maureen Ryan, is energetic and enthusiastic. They have lots of great ideas and I am very excited to have the opportunity to be working for them. You are going to be amazed at what they are going to accomplish for AASH as it celebrates 80 years when we meet in Omaha in 2013. I'm confident this organization will be poised to successfully start another 80 years.

I am honored to serve you and further the charism of the Sacred Heart. I hope I can represent you well and make you proud. Please feel free to contact me whenever you need anything.

Susan King NationalOffice@aashnet.org

ABOUT OUR NEW NATIONAL OFFICE DIRECTOR

Last winter, the 2009-11 Board of Directors unanimously agreed to hire Susan King as the next director of the AASH National Office. While not an alumna herself, Susan impressed Board members with her appreciation and understanding of AASH's cherished heritage and goals. With nearly 30 years' experience in non-profit communications, a bachelor's degree in English and master's degree in management, Susan's background and education are well suited for the responsibilities of running the National Office.

A St. Louis native, Susan most recently served as communications coordinator at Visitation Academy, an independent Catholic school. Prior to that she spent 11 years as director of public relations and publications at Fontbonne University. She has worked closely with development and alumni officers at both educational institutions, assisting them in their relationship-building and fund-raising efforts. Susan began her career at St. Luke's Hospital as public relations specialist and has gone on to create award-winning magazines, produce websites, design newsletters, initiate marketing programs, manage budgets and cover special events.

Susan met and connected with alums at the National Conference in Miami, where she was officially welcomed. She began her position in June. New AASH President Maureen Ryan has been working closely with Susan to acquaint her with the many ways of Sacred Heart and AASH and to maximize her talents so that AASH continues to thrive and to serve its alumnae and alumni across the United States and Western Canada. With her experience, Susan will help to move AASH to the next level of visibility, communication and connection, ensuring the preservation and progress of this organization.

IMPORTANT MBNA CARD UPDATE

THE MBNA CREDIT CARD HAS BEEN A SIGNIFICANT SOURCE OF INCOME FOR AASH SINCE 1995. HOWEVER, BANK OF AMERICA HAS TERMINATED OUR CONTRACT WITH THEM EFFECTIVE AUGUST 31, 2011. RUSS CLEVER, AASH TREASURER, IS IN THE PROCESS OF EXPLORING A NEW AFFINITY CARD THAT WILL HELP SUPPORT AASH SO PLEASE STAY TUNED!

REGIONAL CALLS TO ACTION

At the Miami Conference, Calls to Action were discussed and adopted in each region. These replace the more formal Conference resolutions and are intended to express the spirit of the Conference, instill hope and call our alums to respond.

Central Region

• To demonstrate our commitment to Mater and the role she continues to play in our lives, we urge all alumnae/i to pray to her daily for the protection of those affected by human trafficking. We are committed to learning more about this tragedy and to the extent possible work with agencies involved in ending human trafficking.

Eastern Region

• To raise awareness of world hunger, alumnae/i shall on the first Friday of each month fast, give alms to organizations that combat hunger, and/or pray.

• In keeping with Cor Unum, alumnae/i will start each day with a period of meditation and reflection.

Southern Region

- To work to actively foster connections with young alums.
- To engage and build Sacred Heart connections and community among all alumnae/i. *continued, opposite*

REBUILD Houses, RENEW Relationships



Kathy McGrath, RSCJ, right, and her sister, Marianne Lynch, at Duchesne House.

"NUNS' BUILD" NEW ORLEANS November 12–18, 2011

Once again, women religious from a variety of congregations will join friends and family in New Orleans to work with the St. Bernard Project (www.stbernardproject.org) helping low-income or elderly residents restore homes devastated by Hurricane Katrina. The RSCJ at Duchesne Volunteer House invite you to be part of this exciting and satisfying event!

WHO: Adult members of the extended Sacred Heart family – alums, colleagues, associates, RSCJ, friends. Duchesne House has two dorms equipped with bunk beds and can accommodate up to 14 people at a time.

WHAT: Painting, cleaning, sanding and other basic home repair tasks by day. Prayer and reflection on issues related to Katrina (such as the disappearing wetlands) at night. At least one evening will be spent sampling the music and food of New Orleans.

WHEN: Come for the weekend or stay all week. Cost: \$10/day is the suggested donation for simple meals at Duchesne House. Transportation and meals out are not included.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Marie Louise Wolfington, RSCJ at mwolfington@rscj.org. To watch a video of last year's Nuns' Build, visit www.youtube.com/watch?v=ycpzeR0Nd2k.

• To re-affirm the practice of daily prayer and "espacio," recommending that all join together each day at 2 p.m. Central time to support the mission of the RSCJ, the apostolic work of the alumnae/i, and individual personal intentions.

Western Region

In recognition of the theme of the Western Regional meeting held in Colorado, "JOY "(Jesus, Others, and You), and the theme of the 2011 Biennial Conference, "Celebrate Cor Unum – Living Sophie and Philippine's Vision into Tomorrow," the Western Region's call to action is: Dare to be true to Jesus, to others and to you by strengthening and increasing our ties across generations through

• Stewardship – We encourage actively engaging and cultivating alumnae/i and future alums of all genders and ages.

• Education – We commit ourselves to sharing our experiences through a variety of channels, including social media, across the generations and across the globe because each alum brings a unique experience to AASH and to the Sacred Heart community.

• Mentorship – We support our international network that continues to grow and change over time. Every alum can benefit from the Sacred Heart community and the value to the alumnae/i network of friendships, internships, job and career networking events, and the increase of male involvement in our membership.

CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF SACRED HEART ALUMNAE (CASHA) CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 28, 2011

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE 21st Century . . . LISTENING WITH ONE HEART

Join us for the second conference hosted in Canada at the Sacred Heart School of Montreal. Celebrating 150 years, this school is one of Canada's first English independent Catholic schools for girls. Conference details, schedules and

speakers are posted on the Sacred Heart School of Montreal website, www.sacredheart.qu.ca. The page provides links for the program, registration and accommodation details.

ON OUR COVER, CLOCKWISE FROM TOP:

2011 GRADUATES OF SACRED HEART PREP, ATHERTON, FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: RYAN LEADBEATER, JOHN GEARY, WILL MCCONNELL, KYLE SCHERBA

CARROLLTON HEAD OF SCHOOL SUZANNE COOKE, RSCJ, MANHATTANVILLE COLLEGE '76; WOMAN OF CONSCIENCE AWARD RECIPIENT HELEN ROSENTHAL, RSCJ, ST. CHARLES '48/MARYVILLE '57; AND AASH IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT BETH LOWRY SPECK, DUCHESNE HOUSTON '71 AT THE MIAMI CONFERENCE

KIMBERLY KUPIK, GREENWICH '05, GREAT GRANDDAUGHTER OF HILDRETH MEIÈRE; LOUISE MEIÈRE DUNN, GREENWICH '48; AASH PRESIDENT MAUREEN RYAN, BARAT COLLEGE '81; ROSEMARY O'NEIL, SHERIDAN ROAD '42/MARYVILLE '46; AND HILLY MEIÈRE DUNN, GREENWICH '77 AT A RECEPTION AT THE NATIONAL BUILDING MUSEUM IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

EFPREPIOS DASKALAKIS AND JOEY YAO, HARDEY PREP '86, TRY ON BASKETBALL UNIFORMS FROM THE ARCHIVES

JASMINE LOPEZ, JOSEPHINUM '11



KENWOOD ALUMNA BUILDS COMMUNITY

The roots of *noblesse oblige* that the RSCJ instilled in Alicia Connors at Kenwood Academy (Class of '75) run deep. "The Mothers were amazing, instilling in us that with privilege comes responsibility, to one's self first, then to family, Church and community," she credits.

Growing up in a large family with four sisters and two brothers in Troy, N.Y., Alicia says, "My parents were wonderful role models and being Irish American and Catholic was an important identity for our family." That strong identity is flourishing as she serves as the executive director of the Irish Pastoral Centre in Boston.

After graduating from Boston College, Alicia obtained her master's degree from Dartmouth College. She selected as the subject of her thesis the Society of the Sacred Heart and its progressive education of women and promotion of "what a Catholic girl should be." Alicia says, "My thesis reconnected me with the important values we learned at Kenwood, the importance of giving back, and most of all, that women mattered."

Alicia has spent much of her career in higher education fundraising, including Harvard Business School, Radcliffe College, Lehigh University and Dartmouth College. "While each job was great, there seemed to be something missing," she says. It was a trip to Ethiopia to work with AIDS orphans that changed her life. "I decided that I wanted to pursue more grassroots type of non-profit work." She returned home and became the development director of the Women's Information Service (WISE) in Lebanon, N.H., whose work focuses on victims of domestic and sexual violence and stalking, helping them become safe and self-reliant.



Alicia Connors, Kenwood '75

Alicia explains that her mother's death in February 2010, combined with "my thesis work, the Ethiopian trip and working at WISE all had a transformative effect on me. My faith was energized; going to Mass took on a new meaning. I began volunteering . . . and advocating on Capitol Hill on behalf of CARE and Save the Children. This past year, I have been a part of the Upper Valley Leadership Institute, a wonderful program which trains one to be a community leader."

Alicia began her role at the Irish Pastoral Centre last April. She describes IPC as "committed to 'welcoming the stranger among us.' We believe in justice for all, solidarity in the face of hardship, and that the bonds of community are rooted in the best of what it means to be Irish. We provide a grassroots response to individuals in need of spiritual, social, legal and educational support. We are a 'parish without boundaries."

Alicia's journey is more than Luck 'o the Irish – it's fulfilling life's work that she is joyfully experiencing. This fall she will return to Boston College to work on a second master's degree at the School of Theology and Ministry. 'I now have the ability to use my fundraising skills for a wonderful organization, doing great work for the Irish in Boston and helping to grow programs where those needing services can get to know each other and thrive by building community spirit."



ALUMNA'S FILM, MONICA & DAVID, RELEASED ON DVD

Attendees at the National Conference in Miami were treated to a special screening of *Monica & David*, a documentary about the marriage of two adults with Down syndrome by first-time filmmaker Ali Codina, Carrollton '96. The story of Ali's cousin Monica as she meets, becomes engaged to, marries and adjusts to life with David is a moving portrait of understanding, respect, acceptance, devotion and love. It is a story of relationships, of her family's support and of the couple's hope for independence.

"When Monica and David were born in 1983, there were not so many options," explains Ali. The average life expectancy of a person with Down syndrome was 25 years. Now it's 60. "There is a beginning of a shift in society of seeing adults with intellectual disabilities and understanding things they want. I hope this film is used as a part of the discussion."

Ali wrote, directed and produced the documentary which aired on HBO. The film has received numerous accolades, including best documentary at the Tribeca Film Festival, South Dakota Film Festival, and an audience award at the IDFA in Amsterdam. In addition, it was nominated for a 2011 Emmy Award for News and Documentary.

The educational edition DVD with bonus material and permission to show the film to groups, helping to create dialogue is now available. The home video DVD is scheduled for release in December 2011. To order, watch clips of *Monica & David* or learn more about adults with disabilities, visit www.monicaanddavid.com or www.facebook.com/MonicaandDavid.



ST. CHARLES ALUM GIVES GLIMPSE OF GLEE

Glee fans anxiously awaited the third season to begin in September. While "Gleeks" may be familiar with all of the characters, plots and music, they may not know there's one Sacred Heart alum – Doc Crotzer – working behind the scenes.

Doc's path from St. Charles to Los Angeles was pretty straightforward. After graduating from Academy of the Sacred Heart in St. Charles, Mo., in 1998, he attended Saint Louis University High, then the University of Missouri–Columbia where he studied broadcast journalism. He always knew that he wanted to go to graduate film school in L.A. and, to help him get in, he needed to create something.

So, Doc made a documentary about one of his favorite childhood movies and 1985 classic, *Back to the Future*. He spent three and a half years interviewing dozens of cast and crew members. His persistence and passion showed he was committed to the project and gained him interviews with writer/director Robert Zemeckis, writer/producer Bob Gale and actors Christopher Lloyd and Lea Thompson. He completed *Looking Back at the Future* in 2006. He moved out to L.A. and, just as he was getting ready to start film school, he got a job offer.

Doc decided to hold off on film school to gain more experience and worked at a documentary company. And he ended up selling *Looking Back at the Future*. The combination of experience, his educational background and something physical to show his talent was getting him work. "I was in a good spot," Doc says. "I worked on side projects, short films, anything I could do to work."

Doc had been working in Hollywood for a few years when a friend who is an editor in L.A. called him and said, "I'm working on a pilot. Do you want to come along?" That pilot was *Glee*. And that pilot was picked up!

As one of the three film editors, Doc edits every third episode. He works long hours and lots of weekends editing hours of footage into one 43-minute episode. "A scene is shot from many angles – wide shots to show roomfuls of people, medium shots and close ups on each actor. And, the director will shoot many different shots in many different ways and many different takes," he explains. "Each performance is different and our job is to take all the footage and all the shots and put them together in a way that tells the story that we're trying to tell in the best way possible. Any time a shot changes from one person to the other, that's an edit. It's like putting a puzzle together and you play with it until you can figure out the best way it fits." Doc's editing talent has been recognized. Last year he was nominated by the American Cinema Editors for best editing for a one-hour commercial television series. Each episode shoots for eight days and, during that time, Doc receives the previous day's footage and begins editing. Next, he works with the director for four days, then the show moves on to the producers, then they bring in the creators for a few days. At the end, it's sent to the

Doc Crotzer is an editor on Glee . . . but he can't reveal what's in store this season.

studio for approval. "There are a lot of steps and they happen very quickly. At each step of the way, everyone is adding their own creativity."

Doc enjoys the variety. "Some days I'll spend the whole day working on dramatic, emotional scenes, then the next day, I can spend the day working on comedic scenes and the day after that I can spend a whole day working on musical numbers. The variety keeps it fun and fresh."

The actors who are playing high school students are significantly older, so the trick is to make them feel young to the audience. "The times the show works best is when you can find or inject moments into it that make it feel real and grounded and make it like what high school kids would be."

As *Glee* was gearing up for the new season on Sept. 20, Doc had finished editing the season premiere and was working on episode 4. "We work as hard as we can to make it as great as it can be." Of course, he can't give anything away – even to Sacred Heart alums, but confirms, "It's going to be a really fun season. I can't say any more than that!"

With 22 episodes per season and working almost 10 months per season from production, Doc still finds time for other projects. Working with the creators of *Glee* during their summer hiatus from filming, he did a new pilot called *American Horror Story*. "It's a horror show about a family that moves into a haunted house. It's scary, suspenseful and dark – pretty much the opposite of *Glee*." It starts airing in October on FX.

After six years of living in L.A., Doc says, "It's always what I wanted to do . . . One of the ways I got used to L.A. quickly is that I had so much to do work-wise, I didn't have too much time to think about the transition."

Doc credits his Sacred Heart education for a strong work ethic, saying, "In addition to my parents and family, it helped me form the foundation about hard work and about challenging yourself to be better. It's served me well." He distinctly remembers starting to love math in second grade, and how his teacher Ms. Alicia Todt (St. Charles '81) was integral to that. Years later, they have reconnected on Facebook. "It was absolutely incredible," he exclaims.

Our Worldwide Sacred Heart Family

NEWS FROM AMASC Association Mondiale des Anciennes et Anciens du Sacré Coeur

by: June Russell Donovan, Elmhurst '72 AMASC Director of North America LISTENING WITH ONE HEART ESCUCHEMOS CON UN SOLO CORAZON NOS COEURS UNIS A L'ÉCOUTE

It has been an exciting time for AMASC. The election of the new Administrative Team and Board members was held at an Extraordinary Meeting in Joigny, France in December 2010. The meetings were held in the home of St. Madeleine Sophie Barat whose spirit was so alive there and it continually inspires us all.

The newly elected Administrative Team is Pam Snyder (U.S.), President; Barbara Lopiccolo (U.S.), Vice-President; Wendy Delery Hills (U.S.), Treasurer; and Maureen Elliott (Canada), Secretary General. I was elected as the Director of North America.

Our theme for the next four years is "Listening with One Heart." A study plan is being developed to help lead discussion on this topic. The next AMASC Congress will be in Montreal in September 2014. I hope you will plan to join us for what promises to be a incredible opportunity to collaborate and connect with our Sacred Heart sisters and brothers from around the world.

One of my goals is involving more young alums in AMASC. I want to spread the word that AMASC exists and the exciting things we are doing. I encourage you to visit the AMASC website (www.amasc-sacrecoeur.org) that includes a link to Young Alum on the website, as well as our Facebook page

(www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=10899381138). Connect with Sacred Heart alumnae and alumni from around the world and be sure to check out our volunteer projects. It is amazing the wonderful things alums are doing in Kenya, Uruguay and Uganda and right here in the United States!



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Former Irish President Mary Robinson Serenaded by Duchesne Academy Students



Mary Robinson, alumna of Convent of the Sacred Heart, Dublin, former President of Ireland, and United Nations High Commissioner of Human Rights, was the keynote speaker at the ICAN (Institute for Career Advancement Needs) Conference, an annual event devoted to professional women's empowerment and networking held in Omaha, Neb., last April.

After the Duchesne Academy and Preschool choirs took the stage and greeted her with *Coeur de Jesus*, Mrs. Robinson began her speech, "What a beautiful song. Thank you so much. It brought back lovely memories of my time as a Child of the Sacred Heart in Dublin." To view her video, visit: www.youtube.com/watch?v=_UUljsAy8ss.

While in town, she was escorted by former AASH Board member Suzy Kratochvil, Omaha '76. When Suzy mentioned that she was heading to the National Conference in Miami the following day, Mrs. Robinson sent her best regards and love to all Sacred Heart alums.

Living in the Glow of Miami

38th AASH Biennial Conference

For four glorious days in Miami (April 7–10), alums and RSCJ came together to celebrate Sacred Heart. If you were there, relive the moments. If not, enjoy and join us next time! Many first-time attendees said they will never miss another Conference. Our loving thanks to the Carrollton school community for two years of work to help us "Celebrate Cor Unum" in every detail of our unforgettable days together.





"It was a joy to see so many I knew and meet new friends. Relationships are truly the charism of the Society."











"What a grace for me to be among so many open, active and dedicated Sacred Aeart women and men! I was deeply inspired by the speeches as well as by the palpable Sacred Aeart spirit so evident among the alums of every age, demographic and circumstance."

1. SARA BURCHELL KESTNER. MARYLIZ DEVITO LINCOLN GENEROSITY AND SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT, AND HER MOTHER, MARLA. 2. COR UNUM AWARD WINNERS SUSANNA MCPHERSON LANE: **ROSEMARY HOLLAND GIDIONSEN:** HELEN ROSENTHAL, RSCJ, WOMAN OF CONSCIENCE; PATRICIA ELDREDGE KOLOJESKI; AND TONI WALSH CURRY. 3. ALI CODINA SCREENED HER DOCUMENTARY MONICA AND DAVID. AVAILABLE ON DVD (SEE PAGE 8). 4. KEYNOTE SPEAKER PATRICIA SANCHEZ ABRIL PRESENTED "SOPHIE 2.0 - COMMUNICATING IN THE AGE OF TECHNOLOGY."

5. MAUREEN GLAVIN, RSCJ AND
SUZANNE COOKE, RSCJ OPENED THE
CONFERENCE WITH A DIALOGUE
BETWEEN SOPHIE AND PHILIPPINE.
6. WINNER OF THE JEANNE BURKE
O'FALLON ESSAY CONTEST, JENNA
NOBS, GREENWICH '11, ATTENDS
KENYON COLLEGE.

7. SPEAKER VANESSA GARCIA IS THE FOUNDER OF THE KRANE, A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT BRINGS ART AND THEATRE TO THE GLOBAL COMMUNITY.

8. CHRISTEN PARKER IS THE FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF MOUN POU MOUN, AN OUTREACH INITIATIVE IN SOUTHERN HAITI.

Shared Stories ... Joyful Celebra





"A remarkable event - days that were spiritual, stimulating and filled with celebration and class. How very Sacred Heart,"













"You put on the best AASA ever! It was fun, substantive, inspiring, engaging, thought-provoking . . . And I think it meant the world to 48 RSCI to be included."



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"Words cannot express my gratitude to you and the alumnae for your kindness to me and all the RSCI. My thank you will be said in prayers. I loved the AASH conference. It was so inspiring and beautifully planned."



















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"Thank you for an uplifting, joy-filled, interesting and fun National Conference. While it's been a month since our gathering in Miami, the good feelings, wonderful connections and loving spirit are still strong. Everywhere t looked t saw an incredible camaraderie and connection, What a treat."



"The whole conference was powerful and gave me such a boost to see how we all are drawn in the same missionary direction, with its many life-giving facets. I so enjoyed chatting with Sacred Aeart alums I met for the first time - on buses, in the pool at breakfast, etc...And came home with such a full and grateful heart."



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4. A GROUP AT ONE OF THE CONFERENCE FAVORITES, A HOME DINNER.

5. SUE WHALEN PROVIDED NEW LYRICS TO THE TUNE OF "MY FAVORITE THINGS," AND AN ALUMNAE CHOIR SERENADED JEANNE BURKE O'FALLON AT THE CLOSING OF THE CONFERENCE.





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BELIEVE IT OR NOT, PLANNING IS ALREADY UNDER WAY FOR THE NEXT AASH BIENNIAL CONFERENCE. PICTURED, LEFT TO RIGHT: MEGHAN CONWAY ROWEN, OMAHA '97, ALUMNAE DIRECTOR; SUZY KRATOCHVIL, OMAHA '76, CONFERENCE CHAIR; SHEILA HAGGAS, HEAD OF SCHOOL; AND MAUREEN RYAN, BARAT COLLEGE '81, AASH PRESIDENT.



PAST PRESIDENT PROFILE

Kathie O'Sullivan, 1977-79

Kathie O'Sullivan devoted all of her adult life to AASH. "Her loyalty to things Sacred Heart was born on the campus of St. Charles, flourished at Maryville and grew unswervingly into an

active career of alumni participation," says Jane Shannon Cannon, Maryville '57 and alumni director at St. Charles.

Kathie was Secretary of AASH in 1969-71 and again in 1971-73. She served as President from 1977-79 and returned to the Board as Treasurer from 1995-97. Even as her health began to decline, she remained an active member of the Board at her alma mater in St. Charles.

"For us in St. Charles, Kathie's name is synonymous with AASH. She was the liaison member on our Board for decades and rarely missed the opportunity to open our provincial eyes

to what the broader picture implies for Sacred Heart alumnae/i," explains Jane.

Born in St. Louis in 1931, Kathie was the only girl in a family of three brothers. She graduated from St. Charles in 1948 and earned her bachelor of arts degree in 1952 from Maryville College.

Professionally, Kathie was a health care administrator and

assistant director of the St. Louis County Health Department from 1975-91. She served as a member of the Missouri Governor's Council on Health Education of Children and Youth. She also worked as a television writer and producer.

Never married, Kathie lived with and cared for her parents until they passed away. She was a favorite aunt to several nieces and nephews. Her life was busy, as she served her community as a driver for Meals on Wheels, a tutor of primary children in reading and math and a member of her parish's health committees. She was also active in political campaigns.

One of her major accomplishments as President was moving the AASH archives from Varnum Street in Washington, D.C. to St. Louis as a first step in forming the AASH National Office and Archives, now housed at Villa Duchesne and Oak Hill School. In her outgoing President's Report in the fall 1979 issue of the AASH publication *Heartline*, Kathie mentions two new associations forming: Orange County, Calif. and Hungarians in Exile. In addition, she encouraged individual membership and associations without a school in their community to be formed. Certainly a highlight for her was representing the U.S. and Canada at the Council Meeting of AMASC in Dublin where she presented a talk on St. Philippine Duchesne as an example of a woman of faith. It was at that meeting that Miriam Grey was elected the first American President of AMASC.

Charla Niccoli Dziedzic, St. Charles '75, says "When I first joined the Board as a new college graduate, I was only concerned with the health and welfare of 'my school.' But Kathie was always there reminding me of

the relationship between the Academy and the AASH." Later when Charla became President of the St. Charles Assoc., she called Kathie an "invaluable resource of guidance and knowledge. She loved AASH and she was always willing to share her affection for all things Sacred Heart."

In 1980, Kathie was honored with the Centennial Award from Maryville College and the St. Charles Alumni Association recog-

nized her loyalty with the Rose Philippine Duchesne Award in 1997. Even with health issues that compromised her independence and failing eyesight that impaired her driving, Kathie managed to attend Alumni Association meetings in St. Charles and stay involved and active. She passed away in 2006.

This is our fourth in a series featuring Past Presidents of AASH. Previously featured alumnae are: Maryliz deVito Lincoln (1999-2000) – Winter 2011 Anita Figueredo (1959-1961) – Fall 2010 Hildreth Meière (1957-59) – Winter 2010

To read their profiles, visit www.aashnet.org.



Kathie O'Sullivan, St. Charles '48/Maryville '52 with Marion Glennon, Greenwich '54 and Sheila Poland Madden, Menlo/Atherton '52.

Celebrating our Spirit and History

HARDEY PREP CELEBRATES 75 YEARS IN CHICAGO

In 1935, Mother Rosalie Hill opened Hardey Prep on the campus of the Academy of the Sacred Heart, Sheridan Road. Named for Mother Aloysia Hardey, the school opened with 23 boys. Seventy-five years later, in 2010, they reached an enrollment of 343. And last April, alums gathered to honor nearly 1,650 Hardey gentlemen educated in the spirit and vision of St. Madeleine Sophie Barat.

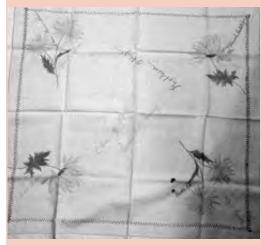
The year-long celebration culminated with a weekend of activities that included Hardey Prep alums shadowing a student Friday morning for a typical class day. On Saturday, Hardey Prep alums joined Academy alumnae for the annual Spring Reunion Luncheon. That evening, more than 100 Hardey Prep alums and guests enjoyed reconnecting at a gala cocktail reception.

"They have become congressmen, authors, priests and philosophers," said Head of School Nat Wilburn. "They have led industry, battled for progress and worked with life's less fortunate. They are making the world a better place. We are proud to have set them on life's path." Here's to Hardey Prep at 75!





More than 100 Hardey Prep alums gathered for a gala cocktail reception celebrating 75 years. Top: Tony Fiore, past faculty; Michael Novak, past faculty; George Connor '77; Al Connor '79; Guy Leonardo '72; and Bob Lock '72. Above left: Bob Clark '72 and Brian Storey '81. Above right: Jack Glunz '49. Left: Michael Dolan '94 and Ginger Tarjan, Sheridan Road '68.



The goûter cloth is embroidered with the following names from the Class of 1898, Sacred Heart Academy.

- 1. Blanche Isabel Egan
- 2. Rose J. Meyer
- 3. Dorothy Gilman
- 4. Blanche Felt
- 5. Ida Burchwal
- 6. Daisie Marian Devine
- 7. Agnes M. Sullivan

Treasures from the Heart

Goûter is one of the most beloved traditions in our Sacred Heart schools. This beautifully embroidered 28" x 28" ecru linen square cloth was very likely used at tea or goûter and belonged to Blanche Felt, Convent of the Sacred Heart Chicago (Pine Grove). Around the sides amid the elaborately embroidered flowers are seven names, those of her classmates, which give clues to determine which Sacred Heart Academy it is. Embroidered in the center is "Class of '98 Sacred Heart Academy" and "Noblesse Oblige."

The goûter cloth now belongs to Fran Hoffman, Barat College '57. It had been given to her by Margo Coupe Macy, Woodlands '53/Barat College '57. Margo's mother, Marjorie Coleman Coupe (not an alum), was given the cloth

by Blanche Felt. Margo Macy says that her grandmother, Nell Risley, attended a Sacred Heart Academy around 1905. Martha Curry, RSCJ, who has just finished writing her book *Barat College: a Legacy, a Spirit and a Name,* notes that this is an interesting year because in 1904 both the academies on Taylor Street and on State Street moved: Taylor Street to Lake Forest and State Street to North Clark Street.

Sister Curry points out another interesting feature: the presence of two large burn holes – probably from a cigarette. Perhaps someone at that tea in 1898 – or even later – was smoking?!

TOP SHELF BOOKS BY SACRED HEART AUTHORS

LESSONS FROM A REMARKABLE CAREER REAGANOUR

MARGOT MORRELL

Reagan's Journey is the latest book by Margot Morrell, available through Barnes & Noble, Amazon and IndieBound. For more information and reviews, visit www.Leadershiplives.com.





Top: Kathryn Sullivan, RSCJ. Above: Carolyn Osiek, RSCJ is the archivist for the Society of the Sacred Heart and the Charles Fischer Professor of New Testament Emerita, Brite Divinity School at Texas Christian University.

Reagan's Journey – Lessons from a Remarkable Career by Margot Morrell, Newton College '74

A 20-year veteran of corporate America, Margot Morrell has worked in financial services and consulting. Author of *Shackleton's Way – Leadership Lessons from the Great Antarctic Explorer* her lastest book is *Reagan's Journey – Lessons from a Remarkable Career*. In 1980, Margot had a front-row seat for the earliest days of the Reagan administration as part of the transition team working in Presidential Personnel. "The take-away was that the real Reagan was a far cry from the media's caricature of a disengaged figurehead," explains Margot. "I started running into

people who knew him – a member of his advance team, a debate advisor, a Hollywood talent agent, and, finally, a White House photographer." Their personal connection, she says "catapulted her into action."

As Margot describes, "*Reagan's Journey* is the story of a poor kid from nowhere who coached himself to the top of five professions." How he did it and what we can learn from him are lessons that fill the pages. "One of his most valuable attributes was a gift for friendships and mentoring relationships. He had a flair for making friends and staying in touch."

Margot shares the same fondness for nurturing relationships. "What stands out to me from my days at Sacred Heart are the friendships. Recently some-

one asked why I went to Newton. I knew someone four years older who had gone there. She was bright, vivacious, fun, outgoing and kind. Those adjectives describe so many of my Newton friends. Everyone has regrets in life but in the area of friendships, I hit the jackpot. Sacred Heart richly blessed me with an abundant gift of lifelong friendships."

Kathryn Sullivan, RSCJ (1905-2006): Teacher of the Word By Carolyn Osiek, St. Charles '58

The same year – 1958 – that Carolyn Osiek graduated from St. Charles, the subject of her new book, Mother Kathryn Sullivan, RSCJ, was elected vice president of the Catholic Biblical Association of America, the first woman to hold a major office in that organization. Professor, biblical scholar and first female member of the Catholic Biblical Association, Mother Sullivan paved the way for women in a male-dominated field of biblical scholarship.

Mother Sullivan graduated from Manhattanville College in 1926 and taught at Sacred Heart schools in Philadelphia, Detroit and Newton. In 1938, she returned to Manhattanville College, where she was a professor of history and religion, and later, a research professor of Sacred Scripture until 1980. Simultaneously, she taught in Catholic seminaries in Philadelphia, New York and Rome.

In addition to publishing extensively, including some of the first Catholic Biblical manuals for nonscholars, Mother Sullivan lectured worldwide. She held a doctorate in history from the University of Pennsylvania and she was awarded the Edith Stein Medal for her contributions in Jewish-Catholic relations and numerous honorary degrees from institutions.

"Kathryn was a remarkable person who did many unusual things," says Sister Osiek. I thoroughly enjoyed tracing her extraordinary life and making it available for others." Sister Osiek's renowned expertise in biblical studies makes her the ideal biographer. She holds a doctorate in New Testament and Christian Origins from Harvard University, and is a past president of the Catholic Biblical Association and the Society of Biblical Literature. Her book is available for \$20 (includes postage in the U.S.). Please contact Dorothy Schmerbauch at dschmerbauch@rscj.org to order.



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An envelope has been included in this issue and you'll receive our 2011-12 appeal letter in November. Please give as generously as you can. And remember, you can save time and postage by donating anytime online at www.aashnet.org.

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Alums Provide Piles of Pillowcases!

Response to our "Plea for Pillowcases" in the last issue of *Esprit de Coeur* has been overwhelming. "So far my alumnae sisters have sent over 3,000 pillowcases, plus lots of fabric, trim and small animals to put in the pockets of the dresses. Our group here in Rochester is aiming to make 10,000 dresses this year and so far have shipped more than 9,500 around the world," says Judy Whalen Conley (Prince Street '54/Manhattanville College '58).



Girls in Honduras wearing new dresses made from some of the donated pillowcases.

"Two husbands drove a van full of things, including 1,500 dresses to Alabama. They said the people were so grateful as they had lost everything in the flooding, so we give to girls other than those who are apt to be caught in the sex trafficking."

With the help of several Rochester alums involved with Angels of Mercy, Inc., the parent organization, "Dress a Girl Around the World" (www.dressagirlaroundtheworld.org) has taken off. "Every month I go to sew, the president (of Angels of Mercy) is more amazed at our generosity, as I never go without more contributions," says Judy. Dresses are sewn from new or gently used pillowcases then given to girls in countries to help protect them from sex trafficking. Because sex traffickers prey upon children in ragged or dirty clothing, nice, clean dresses are a sign that someone cares for them. In the United States there are about 350,000 girls who have been brought into the country and sold into trafficking – some as young as three years old.

Alums from all over the country have helped by getting the word out, donating money to help defray the cost of shipping or delivering the dresses themselves. Sonia Cheli Scadden (Atherton '55 /Lone Mountain '59) writes from Hawaii: "People have been very receptive here in Kona. It is spreading like wildfire." Terry Kule Pfeil (Eden Hall '69) collected bags of pillowcases from her church in Delray Beach, Fla. From Virginia Beach, Mimi Walsh Jurgielewicz, daughter of Margie Donahoe Walsh (Duchesne '46/Barat College '50) learned of the effort through *Esprit de Coeur*. Mimi shares that she mentioned it one day while working out at Curves. The next day when she went in, a box was displayed with a copy of the article and a photo, ready for donations. She writes, "Amazing what a simple conversation can do!"

And, the effort has turned into a family project with Judy's daughter Maureen traveling to New York City and loading her car with items from Beth Pettit (Manhattanville '63) who contacted churches in her area.

"I just get so excited when I get a package. I'm not sure how much my mailman likes me," says Judy. "When a Native American dies, members of the tribe bring fabric to the funeral and Marianna Torrano, RSCJ sends me the fabric from California."

If you have pillowcases, please send them to: Judy Conley, 311 Wyndale Rd., Rochester, NY 14617. Many thanks for helping make a difference in so many lives!

YOUNG ALUM VISITS EXHIBIT OF HILDRETH MEIÈRE IN D.C.

WHEN EMMA THEDE (ST. CHARLES '11) TRAVELED WITH HER FAMILY TO
WASHINGTON, D.C. LAST SUMMER, THEY MADE A POINT TO VISIT THE
EXHIBIT OF ANOTHER SACRED HEART ALUMNA, HILDRETH MEIÈRE.
"WALLS SPEAK: THE NARRATIVE ART OF HILDRETH MEIÈRE" HAS BEEN

EXTENDED AT THE NATIONAL BUILDING MUSEUM UNTIL JANUARY 2, 2012."IT WAS AMAZING AND WE WERE SO HAPPY THAT WE WERE ABLE TO SQUEEZE IT IN," SAYS EMMA, WHO IS A TALENTED ARTIST. AT PRIZE DAY LAST MAY, SHE RECEIVED THE PRIZE FOR ART AND IS NOW A FRESHMAN AT VILLA DUCHESNE.

For information on the exhibition and lectures go to www.hildrethmeiere.com. Or visit http://www.nbm.org/exhibitions-collections/ exhibitions/walls-speak.html for a video tour.





Emma Thede, St. Charles '11, and her brother, Will, current seventh grader visited the Hildreth Meière exhibit in Washington, D.C.



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THE AASH WELCOMES GRADUATES OF THE JOSEPHINUM IN CHICAGO, THE NEWEST MEMBER OF THE NETWORK OF SACRED HEART SCHOOLS. LEFT: VALEDICTORIAN CORINA PEREZ IS ATTEND-ING CARLETON COLLEGE IN MINNESOTA. RIGHT: DESIRÉE GLAPION ROGERS, THE ROSARY '77, FORMER WHITE HOUSE SOCIAL SECRETARY AND CURRENTLY CEO OF JOHNSON PUBLISHING CO., GAVE THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS. FAR RIGHT: PARIS LEWIS AND CYNTHIA CARRION ARE ATTENDING MARIAN UNIVERSITY AND NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY, RESPECTIVELY.



