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Past President Mary Catherine Mundel Coffey (1961-63), center, led AASH representatives on a tour of the White House in 1963. Jean Kennedy Smith, left, was tour guide for the momentous occasion. Also pictured is then incoming AASH president Mary Isabel McKenna Caestecker. HIKING RETREATS MAKE TIME TO RENEW YOUR SPIRIT! With Religious of the Sacred Heart

Choose from the Black Hills of South Dakota or the White Mountains of New Hampshire



July 23 — August 1, 2012

Black Hills of South Dakota

July 23: Meet by 5 pm in Omaha, Nebraska 3601 Burt Street, 68131

July 24: Drive to hike the Badlands / Overnight

July 25 — August 1: Accommodations at rustic Filmore Lodge in Spearfish, SD. Shared rooms; cooking/laundry facilities; swimming/fishing.

Includes seven easy to moderately difficult day hikes, private prayer and shared reflections.

Cost: \$600

August 20 — 26, 2012

White Mountains of New England

August 20: Meet by 10 AM in Cambridge, Mass. 104 Cushing Street, 02138 Three-hour drive to near Lincoln, NH

Accommodations: Small cottages. Shared rooms; linens provided.

Includes four easy to moderate day hikes and a ride to the top of Mt. Washington; private prayer and shared reflections.

Cost: \$550

Information and Registration: Sr. Diane Roche, RSCJ: droche@rscj.org or 504.388.8026





Society of the Sacred Heart U.S. Province

A NEW BIENNIUM – MOVING FORWARD TO 2013

FROM AASH PRESIDENT MAUREEN E. RYAN BARAT COLLEGE 1981

Dear Alums...

We our half way thru the biennium and much has transpired. We are pleased to have Maggie Sieger Kaspura, a 1985 alumna of Duchesne Houston, working in the National Office with us. To read more about Maggie please go to our website. And speaking of website!



I am pleased to announce that our website has gone thru a major transformation. Kudos goes to Sara Kestner, Corresponding Secretary, and Maggie Kaspura, National Office Director, who have been spearheading this project for the past six months. The first phase has been completed! Visit us at: www.aashnet.org. We think you will find the new site bright, fresh and very user friendly. Be sure to login and register to access the directory and optimize the new search engines.

This past year I have had the opportunity to attend many Sacred Heart gatherings and meet with alumnae/i across the country. My travels have brought me to Missouri on many occasions, as well as California, Florida, Omaha and Canada. With each new encounter I am in awe as I see first hand how alumnae and alumni continue our mission of "federation, spirit and service" and live out the values of their Sacred Heart educations in their personal and professional lives.

I'd like to highlight a few of the very special gatherings that I have attended;

- 175th anniversary of the Child of Mary (EdeM)
- CASHA conference hosted at our Sacred Heart school in Montreal
- Celebrating Philippine's Feast with the students at the Academy in St. Charles and later at the Shrine with local RSCJ and Associates
- Mass and luncheon at the home Sr. Mary Schumacher, RSCJ with alumnae from Palm Desert
- Carrollton's golden jubilee celebration
- Congé hosted by each of our Sacred Heart schools in Chicago and Lake Forest, IL
- Alumni gatherings in Naples, Vero Beach and Palm Beach, Florida.

Visit my blog (AASH PRESIDENT MER) for details and lots more photos.

Now I need to ask those of you reading this to help us further our mission and consider getting involved. Perhaps you or someone you know would like to become part of the 2013-2015 AASH National Board. We are looking for alumnae/i with good computer skills and a willingness to share their talents. Also we are seeking nominations for the following awards: Cor Unum and Mary Liz DeVito Lincoln. Details can be found in this issue of Esprit and on our website.

I do hope you will enjoy reading the wonderful story of our past president Mary Catherine Mundell Coffey as well as current alums who are giving back and sharing their talents.

I look forward to seeing familiar faces and meeting many more of you at the upcoming Regional meetings being hosted in Seattle, Cape Cod, Bloomfield Hills, and Houston. And, I hope many of you will join us next April in Omaha at our 39th Biennial Conference where we will celebrate our 80th Anniversary! Details and registration info will be available on our website.

Warm regards in the heart,

Mausur E. Kyon

THE LIFE LIVED: Alumnae Share the Spirit of Sacred Heart

At Josephinum Academy in Chicago, Illinois, Sacred Heart Alumnae are sharing their lives and their love of Sacred Heart education. They are nurturing the spirit of the school in profound and meaningful ways. "The Goals and Criteria are an eloquent expression of the mission of Sacred Heart education," says Michael Dougherty, the Head of School at Josephinum, "but it has been through the presence of Sacred Heart alumnae that our students have begun to truly understand what it means to be a child of the Sacred Heart."

The newest member of the Network of Sacred Heart Schools, Josephinum is truly unique in its commitment to St. Madeleine Sophie's vision for offering Sacred Heart education to young women who otherwise would not have the opportunity to receive a quality education. "I've never been to a school like Josephinum before," remarks sophomore Lupuita Gonzales. "Here I know that I am loved for who I am. I have learned that I am blessed with precious

gifts that I am called to share with others, especially those most in need. For me, this is what it means to be Sacred Heart. I always knew that Josephinum is special, but now I know that what I love about Josephinum is what connects us with all of the other Sacred Heart schools, students, and alumnae around the world."

When asked how she has discovered this connection, Lupuita pointed to her participation in a club led by Ms. Maggie Hyde (Villa Duchesne '04). Two years ago, when Maggie moved to Chicago to pursue a masters degree in school counseling at DePaul University, one of her first stops was to visit Josephinum and offer her support. She began a student club called, "Sacred Heart Matters," and started a grassroots effort to share with students the traditions of Sacred Heart education. "When I first stepped inside the doors of Josephinum, I instantly felt that I was in a Sacred Heart school," explains Maggie, "Leading the 'Sacred Heart Matters Club' is the highlight of my week! It is a privilege to be able to share with the students something that I love so dearly."

While many Sacred Heart traditions have been routine at Josephinum, Sr. Muriel Cameron, the school's Campus

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-Maggie Hyde, Villa Duchesne '04

Minister, explains the difference that Maggie makes, "Her enthusiasm is contagious! It has been through the example of alumnae like Maggie that our students have really begun to know and love what is unique and consistent about Sacred Heart education, whether at Josephinum or in any other Sacred Heart school."

Indeed, Josephinum is blessed to have the support of many alumnae, including several on their board of trustees, and Stephanie Hauber (Rosary) whose weekly commitment in the Admissions office helped to increase enrollment dramatically.

"It is one thing for our students to know the Goals," says Sr. Cameron, "but the true spirit of Sacred Heart is shared through relationship. Josephinum is such a beautiful expression of the Society's mission, and has been so for many years. I think what is new, thanks to Maggie, is that our students are becoming more deeply connected to the greater Sacred Heart community."

Dougherty adds, "We know that we cannot do it alone and we need all the help that we can get!" For more information about volunteering at Josephinum Academy, contact Michael Dougherty at (773)220-3335, or michael.dougherty@ josephinum.org.



Maggie Hyde (Villa Duchesne '04) and Sr. Muriel Cameron, RSCJ (St. Charles Academy '66)



AMBER GMEREK, FOREST RIDGE '09

The Power of the Sacred Heart Network

If you have any doubt about the power of Forest Ridge and the Network of Sacred Heart Schools, just ask Amber Gmerek, Forest Ridge '09. She credits Forest Ridge with giving her the courage to pursue an internship in Vienna last

year that focused on women's issues. But it almost didn't happen. In the final weeks before the internship began, Amber was still searching for affordable housing. Time was running out.

Then her mother suggested that she reach out to the Network of Sacred Heart Schools. So Amber contacted our sister school, Sacre Coeur Wien, which put her in contact

with Marcile, an alumna of that school whose daughter was currently enrolled. Marcile offered Amber her extra apartment for the summer. But this was not just any apartment.

Amber found herself in an amazing location only a short walk from the beautiful building of Sacre Coeur.

She developed relationships with the people at the school and was even invited by the English teacher to speak to her class about her internship. "Every time I walked by, there were children playing in the garden. I attended their end-of-the-year festival, where they had music, games, beer and lots of Viennese food. I couldn't stop myself from smiling, watching all the children running around and having fun," Amber recalls.

She even met the head of school, who greatly admires the American Sacred Heart schools and tries to model his own school in the same fashion – even instituting free-dress Fridays. Amber credits finding a place to live, and thus her internship, to the Sacred Heart Network.

That internship was with Women Against Violence Europe (WAVE), a network of Europe's largest nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) dedicated to preventing and ending violence against women and children. Operating in 46 European countries, WAVE provides support for women through women's shelters, crisis hotlines and organizations that focus on abuse prevention.

While at WAVE, Amber prepared and designed a website for 20 countries in Eastern Europe and Central Asia that would train and inform health care professionals about how to ask patients about domestic violence and how to refer them. She also assisted in planning events and meetings that would support this effort. Through this internship, Amber acquired a profound understanding of combating violence against

women in the European Union countries.

When asked how Forest Ridge developed her interest in women's issues, Amber said, "I think Forest Ridge has everything to do with my interest in women's issues. I felt strongly about these issues before attending Forest Ridge, but Forest Ridge gave me the courage to go out and pursue a career in this sector."

After this life-changing experience working for WAVE, Amber wants to continue working with feminist women's NGOs upon her graduation from Jacobs University in Germany, where she is currently a senior.

Written and submitted by Julie Lundgren, Alumnae Relations Director, Forest RidgeSchool of the Sacred Heart Reprinted from Mes Amis, Spring 2012

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⁻Amber Gmerek, Forest Ridge '09

AROUND THE COUNTRY ...

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From the Central Central Regional Director Barbara Price, Bloomfield Hills '77

Associations in the Central Region have been active in many different events and activities.

Woodlands Academy alumnae will be the speakers at the school's 2012 Career Day, and are making plans for an expanded reunion weekend in October. Their Alumnae Director, Maura Chamberlain, recently hosted the afternoon alumni program at the Archdiocesan Development Council workshop. She presented to more than 30 members on the topic "Regional Alumnae Gatherings" focusing on her recent visit to NYC to gather Woodlands Academy Alumnae from NY, CT and NJ. Maura is a founding member of the Archdiocesan Alumni Council.

The Bloomfield Hills Alumnae Association hosted its annual "Community in Action Day" with more than 110 alumnae,

parents, students, and faculty. They packed food boxes at food banks, cleaned cages and walked dogs at an animal shelter, sorted and bagged enough toiletries to fill five shopping bags for the Capuchins, knit squares to make an afghan for a needy person, and made and hung dozens of bird feeders for birds on Bloomfield's campus. A group of volunteers at school made a Valentine card and trail mix treat for faculty member Lieutenant Michael Krogh and the 14 members of his unit who are currently serving in Kuwait.

Connecting, and

The Grosse Pointe Alumnae Association hosted an Advent Evening of Reflection, with Bridget Bearss, RSCJ, Head of School at Bloomfield Hills, as the speaker. Alumnae from Bloomfield Hills and Grosse Pointe enjoyed the event, which Patricia Kolojeski hopes will become an annual holiday gathering.

from the East



Zeastern Regional Director Wendy Buckland, Bryn Mawr '85

It's been great fun serving on the AASH National Board and it is quite a privilege to be part of such a special group of people. I would like to share some news

from the Eastern Region since the last report.

Greenwich celebrated "Home is where the Heart is." Congratulations to Elissa Forstmann Moran ('66) for receiving the Outstanding Alumna of the Year. Jayne Collins, Head of Upper School received the Honorary Alumna Award.

Bryn Mawr/Overbrook/Eden Hall opened "Heartcoming" celebrations with the 2nd Annual "Miss Pat Run." The event pays tribute to Patty Ryan, who was a well loved member of the Sacred Heart for many years. Congratulations to Joan Craig Hadden ('48) 'Eden Hall', who received the Distinguished Alum Award! The Alumnae Association of Convent of the Sacred Heart (91st Street) presented, "A Writer's Journey: How personal experience unlocks the creative process." Magee Hickey, 91st Street Alum, served as moderator.

The Elmhurst Alumnae Association met in October and and celebrated A Day of Recollection/ Retreat on March 3, 2012, the Spring Luncheon at The Dunes Club on June 9, 2012, and on October 21, 2012, will host a Fall Business Luncheon Mass honoring deceased members of the association.

The Manhattanville College Alumni Association continued the celebration of esteemed works by Hildreth Meière. Please look for additional information on the AASH Facebook page.





from the South

Southern Regional Director Maria Cristina Garcia, Carrollton '00

I'm delighted to be once again serving on the AASH Board as Southern Regional Director and even more delighted that

many southern associations and schools are celebrating anniversaries in the 2011-2013 biennium.

Carrollton's 50th Anniversary Weekend took place on January 27-29, 2012. It was a joy-filled weekend as the community gathered to remember the last 50 years and looks forward to 50 more. It was most special to have 27 religious gathered for this momentous occasion, 17 of whom came from out of town!

The festivities kicked off on Friday, January 27th with Celebrate 2012. This evening under the stars takes place each year on the Sacred Heart Green on Carrollton's Barat Campus. It includes delicious food displayed by local restaurants, music that gets the crowd moving and a silent auction with over 200 items including an extensive wine section. The proceeds of this spectacular evening directly support need-based scholarships and the school's building fund.

The celebrations continued Saturday night with the Alumnae Reunion Reception. The classes honored were those ending in "2" and "7". Over 500 alumnae (some coming from Africa and Austria) and guests browsed the alumnae art show and joined the beautiful reception in El Jardin. It was wonderful to welcome back not only the alumnae but so many RSCJ and faculty members to this jubilant celebration.

On Sunday, January 29, the Carrollton community gathered for the Family Liturgy of Thanksgiving asking for God's blessing on the school's jubilee celebrations. RSCJ, alumnae, current and former faculty, current and former families all participated in the memorable liturgy. Special guests included Provincial Team Member Susie Maxwell, RSCJ, Elizabeth Hicks- Chair, Carrollton Board of Trustees, Madeleine Ortman – Executive Director of the Network of Sacred Heart Schools and our own Maureen E. Ryan- President of the AASH. All congratulated Sr. Suzanne Cooke and Carrollton for being the school of Christ's heart in South Florida for 50 years.

Following the Family Liturgy, RSCJ and reunion class members gathered for a lunch in their honor. Simultaneously, Carnival 2012 was kicked off for all to enjoy.





Western Regional Director Mary Forsyth, El Cahon '63, Lone Mnt.'67

Since joining the 2011-13 AASH Board as Western Regional Director, I have found our large and diverse region to be characterized by dynamic change and very active alumnae.

Firstly, congratulations are in order as two associations begin 2012 with new board presidents and officers. Marisa Mizono replaces Caitie O'Shea as president of the Lone Mountain alumnae and Kate Sawyer assumes leadership of the AASH Los Angeles after Pat Lorne's presidency.

Some moves are taking alumnae to new jobs as well. Sr. Anne Wachter (Duchesne, Omaha) who has been head of Convent of the Sacred Heart Elementary School in San Francisco for more than a decade will become Headmistress of the Sacred Heart School in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Effective June 1, I have returned to Broadway as interim head of the girls' high school.

We celebrate two alumnae who are published authors. Denise Frisino ('70 Forest Ridge) has written a 70's novel with roots in the Prohibition era, Whiskey Cove. Agatha Hoff ('54 Atherton-Menlo) recalls her years as a San Francisco Court Commissioner in her book, Judge Hoff, Jesus Loves You but the Rest of Us Think You're an A**hole.

The Forest Ridge Alumnae Association will host our regional conference on August 10-11, 2012.

IT'S ALL ABOUT ... Celebrating, Connecting,



Mary Schumacher, RSCJ, (center) was hostess in her home for alums from Palm Desert.

MaryDell Miller Barkouras, Duchesne '57: Jane Rothchild Turner, Broadway '48, Lone Mountain '52





Liz Joyce, Manhattanville 53; Char Whalen Vlerick, Barat '60

gathering in Palm Desert

Alums gather for Mass and fellowhip



Maria Cristina Garcia, Carrollton '00; Sr. Joan A. Magnetti RSCJ, Manhattanville '65



Catherine Baker Murphy, Sheridan Road '39, Manhattanville '43 and her daughter



Sr. Joan A. Magnetti RSCJ, Manhattanville '65; Julianne Mattimore, Eden Hall '57; Mimi Morgan Welsh, Manhattanville '52



Dacia Van Antwerp, Bloomfield Hils'48, Manhattanville '52; Joan McGuire, Manhattanville '52

gathering in Palm Beach

Floridians get together on the Gold Coast



Helen Bruns Ryan, Woodlands '50; Mary Ann Brennan Keyes, Newton '62

gathering in Naples

Southwest alums get together in Naples

Mary Plunkett Madden, Barat '56; Carol Peddle Becker Barat '55; Stephanie Byrnes Flynn, Sheridan Road '52, Barat '56



Karen O'Brien Freel, Barat '64; Marie Nourey, Barat '64; Cathy Rice Farrell, Barat '64; Dee O'Brien Bailey, Newton '66.



Carla Montani Grieve, Chile '58, Maryville '62; Maureen E. Ryan Barat '81; Lynn Wagner Shunk Sheridan Road '52, Barat '56



Collaborating and

Nominate a Young Alum for the 2013 Maryliz deVito Lincoln Generosity and Service Award

C o honor outstanding alumna and past president Maryliz deVito Lincoln (1943-2003) the AASH established an award in her name. Maryliz's dedication to the Sacred Heart family showed itself in joyous and generous service to her local association and to the national and international alumnae/i associations, beginning shortly after her graduation from San Francisco College for Women, Lone Mountain in 1965.

This biennial award is granted to a Sacred Heart graduate, 35 or younger, who has demonstrated outstanding support of and loyalty to her/his local alumnae/i association or to AASH. A regionally balanced committee appointed by the AASH president reviews letters of recommendation submitted by individual alumnae/i associations and makes recommendations.

The honoree receives the cost of travel, registration and hotel expenses for the National Conference where the award is presented.

Please send letters of nomination, by October 15, 2012 to:

AASH National Office, 801 S. Spoede Rd., St. Louis, MO 63131

or nationaloffice@aashnet.org with "Maryliz Award" in the subject line.



Previous recipients of the Maryliz Award are Sara Kestner, 2011 honoree, who currently serves as AASH Corresponding Secretary and Karen Patterson, 2009 recipient, is AASH Recording

Secretary. 2007 recipient Amy Banna, Bloomfiield '95 is shown at right.



Renowned Art Deco Artist Hildreth Meière Celebrated in Recent MOBIA Exhibition *Walls Speak*

Pictured are Adele O'Grady Botticelli, AASH Past President; Kimberly Kupik, Greenwich '05, Great Granddaughter of Hildreth Meière; Hildreth Meière Dunn, Greenwich '77; Debbie Wygal Greenwich '77; Virginia Coudert, Greenwich '48; Louise Meière Dunn, Greeniwch '48 Daughter of Hildreth Meière; Alice Ann Robinson, Bryn Mawr '04; Valerie O'Keeffe, AASH Past President; Sister Francis Gimber rscj, Manhatanville '65; Sister Angela Bayo, Greenwich '44; Lauren Kinslow, Bryn Mawr '02.



PAST PRESIDENT PROFILE



Mary Catherine Mundel Coffey, 1961-63

When Mary Catherine Coffey assumed her duties as AASH President in 1961, the world was poised for what was heralded as "the roaring, soaring '60s." Sacred Heart was at its peak, with schools and colleges thriving around the world. But by the end of her tenure, she had seen the best and the worst of what can happen in just two years.

Perhaps the highlight of her presidency was May 17, 1963. It was during the 14th Biennial AASH Convention that Mary Catherine led 500 AASH members on a tour of the White House. When President John F. Kennedy addressed the

group, he noted that he was accustomed to being surrounded by Sacred Heart alumnae – but never so many at one time. The President was referring to the fact that his mother, Rose, three sisters and two sisters-in- law were all Sacred Heart graduates.

Jean Kennedy Smith acted as hostess for the tour, and she made the day one that each of the attending alums would never forget. A Washington newspaper captured the moment with a photo of Mary Catherine, Jean and incoming AASH President Mary Isabel McKenna Caestecker, along with a notable account of the exciting event in AASH history.

A Washington, DC native, Mary Catherine was born in 1915 and attended "1719", a Sacred Heart school located on Massachusetts Avenue. Her family was deeply rooted in their faith; both of her brothers would go on to become priests.

Upon graduation, she continued her education at Trinity College, earning her bachelor's degree in liberal arts. During this time, Mary Catherine further committed herself to her faith and desire to become a true Child of Mary.

After earning her degree, Mary Catherine married Robert Coffey, a physician at Georgetown University Hospital, and the couple had five children, settling in the Bethesda, MD area. Their children all graduated from Sacred Heart schools – the girls at Stone Ridge and the boys at Georgetown Prep. Mary Catherine immersed herself in volunteering activities associated with the children's schools. She was involved in the traditional First Friday activities at Stone Ridge as well as the Christ Child Society, a local charity that helps the underprivileged in the DC area. She also lent her time at the Christ Child Opportunity Shop, a local consignment.

tion even hosted the Indian tribe when they visited Washington to sell their handicrafts.
Her faith and desire to serve eventually led Mary Catherine to become involved in AASH, and soon she was leading the association during a time when the Catholic religion became a critical issue in the U.S. - the country had just elected its

It was through one of her brothers that she was introduced to

one of her favorite charities, the Chol Chol Foundation. As a

"Chol Chol Girl," Mary Catherine and her fellow volunteers

raised money for the Mapuche Indians in Chile. The founda-

first Catholic president. It was a time of great growth for the Catholic religion, and during Mary Catherine's tenure, many new Sacred Heart schools were opening their doors to serve the growing families who sought a Catholic-based education for their children.

Mary Catherine's daughter Christine, a Washington DC attorney, describes her mother as a woman deeply devoted to her religion and to Mary, our Lady.

"She was never pious in how she interacted with people, but everyone knew how important her religion was to her," recalls Christine. "She was also lots of fun, loved people, was very involved in social

activities, bridge and golf. She always had an upbeat attitude that everyone respected."

A "lady through and through," according to Christine, Mary Catherine never complained, even in her later years when her health began to fail and she could not walk. She passed away in 2010, surrounded by loved ones in the same home she and her husband settled in some 60 years before.

Her mother's service to AASH and the Sacred Heart schools inspired Christine to become involved in the association and serve her home school. Christine says her mother was proud to see her become the first woman Chairman of the Board of Trustees at Stone Ridge.

"My mother was very supportive of me to stay involved in the Sacred Heart schools as an alumna," said Christine. "My education at Stone Ridge – and my mother's leadership and service there – was extremely beneficial to me and enriched my life greatly."



Mary Catherine graduated from Trinity College in Washington D.C.



Schlafly Beer President Tom Schlafly expresses gratitude for Sacred Heart education

Excerpts reprinted with permission from Schlafly Brewery

EDITOR'S NOTE: To most, Sacred Heart Schools are the prerogative of girls, but Sacred Heart Schools for Boys have been around for over 100 years (see article below). Tom Schlafly is representative of the successful alumnae that have been educated at a Sacred Heart School and – like Tom – credit their Sacred Heart experience with preparing them for life.

Now is a good a time as any to recognize an order of nuns who have played a major role in educating women and girls all over the world for over two centuries. I'm referring to The Society of the Sacred Heart, which was founded in France in 1800 by Madeleine Sophie Barat, and is commonly known by its French acronym RSCJ.

With convents and schools in 45 countries, the RSCJ have produced some truly illustrious alumnae who span the cultural spectrum from Stefani Germanotta (Lady Gaga) to the operatic diva Frederica von Stade. Actresses Vivien Leigh and Maureen O'Sullivan authors Kate Chopin and Mary McCarthy, journalists such as Cokie Roberts and Maria Shriver, in addition to educating lots of other women in the extended Kennedy family. They have graduated political leaders as varied as Mayor Jane Byrne of Chicago, Senator Dianne Feinstein from California, President Mary Robinson of Ireland, and Empress Michiko of Japan.

What is not as well known, even among alumnae of RSCJ schools, is that there are also Sacred Heart boys, of which I was one. From kindergarten through sixth grade I attended Barat Hall (colloquially known as Brat Hall), a boys school named for the founder of the order. The school, which no longer exists, was at the northeast corner of Maryland and Taylor in the Central West End of St. Louis.

Faced with the challenge of taming the brats at Brat Hall, the nuns employed some creative motivational techniques, none more memorable than the ritual of the Christmas lambs. In the weeks leading up to Christmas vacation a Nativity scene was placed at the top of a set of stairs. At the bottom of the stairs there were close to 200 ceramic lambs, one for every boy in the school. Boys who had behaved well were allowed to move their lambs up one step. Those who had misbehaved were not allowed to move their lambs. Imagine the emotional trauma of those whose lambs were still on the floor on the day before vacation, while others'



Brewery owner and Barat Hall alum Tom Schlafly

lambs were at the top of the stairs, nuzzled up next to Baby Jesus.

My report cards at Brat Hall were generally good except for one subject: penmanship. In first grade we began learning how to write with pencils. Slowly but surely everyone in the class moved up to writing with a pen. I was the last in the class to be allowed to write with a pen and then—to my great humiliation— I was demoted back to writing with a pencil. Four years later I actually flunked penmanship in fifth grade, the only course I ever failed in my 20-year academic career.

I recently reconnected with the nun who gave me a failing grade in penmanship back in 1959. She now professes to like my writing, something she never said when I was in her class at Brat Hall, probably because she wasn't able to read my handwriting. She also says she likes Schlafly Beer, to which she gives a much higher grade than she ever would have given me for penmanship.



CORNERSTONE AT GANDER HALL

Circa 1961: Religious of the Sacred Heart pose with several project managers during the laying of the cornerstone of Gander Hall on April 6, 1961. The two gentlemen wearing trench coats in front have been identified as (left to right) Joseph Manning and Jack Campbell, head architects. At far right stand College President Mary Blish '49, Director of Residence Eleanor Adams '39, and Rev. Mother Lucy Lamy.

SACRED HEART SCHOOLS CELBRATE THEIR

Maryville Marks 50 Years on Current Campus... Top-Ranked Among US Colleges

Maryville University, ranked by U.S. News & World Report as one of America's Best Colleges in the National Universities category, is proudly celebrating 50 years on its current campus, 22 miles from the center of St. Louis, MO.

Maryville University was founded in 1872 by the Religious of the Sacred Heart, and is one of the oldest private institutions in St. Louis. Maryville was originally an academy for young women and was located in South St. Louis. The academy evolved into a junior college and became a fouryear college in 1923. It became Maryville University of Saint Louis in June 1991.

The institution's visionary grasp of the growth potential of West St. Louis County sparked its purchase in the late 1950s of 290 acres adjacent to U.S. 40 and Woods Mill Road. The dedication of the new campus on this site in 1961 marked the beginning of Maryville's mission as a community-focused institution grounded in the liberal arts.

This heritage bequeathed to Maryville by the Religious of the Sacred Heart includes a commitment to the education of the whole person through programs designed to meet the needs of traditional and non-traditional students offered in day, evening, weekend and blended formats.

On September 27, 2012 from 12:00 am to September 29, 2012 12:00 am, Maryville will hold its Alumni Weekend. Alumni are invited back to campus to visit with friends old and new. The 2012 Reunion Classes are 1962, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002, 2007 and the Golden Circle classes, classes graduating 50 or more years ago.

Additional details are available at http://alumni.maryville. edu/alumniweekend2012, by e-mailing alumni@maryville. edu or by calling 314.529.6867.

Grand Coteau Celebrates 190 Illustrious Years; Students Plant an Oak Tree in tribute to its Heritage

The Academy of the Sacred Heart at Grand Coteau is 190 years old – the second oldest learning institution west of the Mississippi; the second oldest in Louisiana; the oldest Sacred

MARYVILLE



Sr. Lillian Conaghan, Maryville University President Mark Lombardi, Rosemary Gidionsen



Pat Thompson Thompson Maryvillle '62, Sr. Lillian Conaghan and Jane Roth

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Class Reps, with Sr. Lieux, RSCJ



Singing School Song



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HERITAGE AND THEIR ANNIVERSARIES

CARROLLTON



Class of 1971



Pictured Above are RSCJ attending Carrollton celebration: Top left - Ann Jablonski, Mary Helen McComas, Suzanne Lasseigne, Helen McCullough, Maureen Little, Georgie Blaeser

Bottom row, Margo Morris, Marie Buonato, Ann Taylor, Suzanne Cooke, Elizabeth Shearman



Maria Cristina Garcia, Carrollton '00'; Suzanne Cooke, RSCJ, Manhattanville '76; Maureen Ryan, Barat 81; Ann Taylor, RSCJ, Newton '60; Barbara Cliff Price. Bloomfield Hills '77

Heart school in continuous operation in North America; and the oldest Catholic institution in the Diocese of Lafayette. Schools of the Sacred Heart at Grand Coteau is comprised of the Academy of the Sacred Heart, a single-gender school for girls, and Berchmans Academy of the Sacred Heart, a singlegender school for boys that was opened in 2006.

To commemorate the anniversary, an oak tree was planted in the school's oak alley among oaks that have graced the campus for over 190 years. The new oak was sprinkled with holy water as a prayer of dedication was read.

The Academy of the Sacred Heart opened its doors to eight students in October of 1821 and has been continuously committed to excellence in the education of young women throughout its history. The Academy offers grades Pre-Kindergarten through 12th grade. Berchmans Academy of the Sacred Heart provides young men in the Acadiana region with their only choice for a Catholic, independent, singlegender education. It currently educates boys in grades Pre-Kindergarten through 9th grade.

Carrollton School Celebrates Half-Century of Sacred Heart Education in Miami

As the only all pre K-Grade 12 girls school in Florida, Carrollton encourages its students to develop the courage, confidence and skills required for intellectual, athletic, spiritual and artistic exploration and accomplishment. Current research clearly points to the effectiveness of single sex education for young women. Graduates of girls' schools account for a significant percentage of women in leadership positions in industry, academia, public life, and the professions.

This year is Carrollton's semi-centennial, and it is filled with celebrations honoring its legacy, while making preparations for the next fifty years. The first of these steps toward the future is evident in the new Carrollton website. The school has strived to have its pages give the viewer a true glimpse of the Carrollton of today showcasing its values, its varied programs, its accomplishments and its mission.

Once housed solely in the original estate home, El Jardin, the school now enjoys two campuses, Barat and Duchesne.

BOOKS BY SACRED HEART AUTHORS

WHISKEY COVE

By Denise Frisno Turner, Forest Ridge '70

Denise Frisino spent her summers playing and working in the numerous islands that define the Pacific Northwest, where her family spans four generations. At age five, she took to the stage and has been involved in theatre and the film industry in Seattle and Los Angeles as an actress, writer, playwright, and producer, winning awards for her writing and acting. She was involved

with the local chapters of Women in Film, International Television Association (ITVA) and Screen Actors Guild, and served on the board of American Federation of TV and Radio. Denise has published several articles and a short story. Denise enjoys being on the water, lived aboard one of the old Mosquito Fleet boats on Lake Union, and loves her row boat. She and her husband spend time at Hood Canal and reside in Seattle.

Her book, *Whiskey Cove*, is about Alexandria, a young woman trapped on a rum runner's boat during the tumultuous times of Prohibition. There she fell in love, not just with the excitement of the

DENISE FRISINO swift crafts, that plied the waters from Canada to Washington State, but also with the bootlegging captain, Jake McKenzie. With her wild and full early days behind her, Alex now wants order and peace in her life which continues to escape her. Still haunted by the unsolved murder of the head of the Italian Mafia, who attempted to take over rum running in the Northwest Territory, and destroyed her husband, she sets about unraveling the past and stirring up old dangers. Jean, a college student at Western Washington University, answers an ad to work for Alex in her garden on Samish Island and is swept along by the feisty elderly woman on a path of peril and intrigue.

FULL BLACK

BY BRAD THOR, HARDY PREP '83

For as long as he can remember, Brad has always wanted to be a writer. As a boy, he "wrote like crazy." But more importantly, he read. Brad has always believed that you can't be a great writer without being a great reader.

As he grew, his dreams of becoming an author never dissipated. At the University of Southern California, he switched from a Business Administration major to Creative Writing, and, as Robert Frost so famously said, "that has made all the difference."

One night on his honeymoon, his wife asked him what he would regret on his deathbed never having done. Before he could "pull the words from the air and shove them back in my mouth" he had said, "Writing a novel and getting it published."

Brad reveals, "Once again, two roads diverged in the woods and I took the one less traveled by." Within a year, he had written his first thriller, *The Lions of Lucerne*.

His most recent book, *Full Black*, tells a terrifying story of espionage and betrayal. Born in the shadows and kept from heads of state, there are some missions so deadly, so sensitive, that they simply don't exist. When one such mission goes horribly wrong, a wave of terrorist attacks is set in motion. Their goal: the complete and total collapse of the United States. With the CIA's intelligence abilities hobbled, former Navy SEAL Team 6 member turned covert counterterrorism operative Scot Harvath launches a plan to infiltrate the terrorists' network and prevent one of the biggest threats the United States has ever faced.



CINDY IN THE CITY

BY ALEX GIERAK, BLOOMFIELD '00

A young writer, Alex began her writing career in earnest, taking classes, attending seminars, contacting her favorite authors and reading countless books about novel writing. While she maintains that a lot of writing is independent, she says that feedback is essential in order to learn and grow as a writer. Her book, *Cindy in the City*, is inspired by her own experiences and love of the fashion world.

A chic retelling of the fairytale "Cinderella," *Cindy in the City* follows Cynthia Scott as she finds out what it takes to make it in Manhattan. Cynthia will do almost anything for a chance to work in New York City's fashion industry, even if that means becoming the live-in maid to three spoiled roommates just to make ends meet.

JUDGE* HOFF, JESUS LOVES YOU BUT THE REST OF US THINK YOU'RE AN A**HOLE!

By Agatha Hoff, HU '45, HU'47, AM "54

Agatha Hoff fled war-torn Hungary during World War II with her family at the age of 10, eventually settling in San Francisco, which she still calls home. She graduated from the Sacred Heart Schools, attended Seattle University on full

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scholarship and received her law degree from San Francisco Law School.

Early in her legal career, Agatha worked in poverty law where clients often abandoned her for a "real lawyer" (someone they paid). When she became a real lawyer, her personal injury clients termed it "the armpit of the law." When she was appointed a court commissioner, her favorite moniker was "fascist terrorist cross-dressed in the cloak of justice." When at last a British tourist called her "Your Worship," she thought she'd retire before it went to her head. She celebrated her retirement by going skydiving.

Tales from my 20 years as a ian Francisco Court Commissio by Agatha Hoff



After dispensing justice and raising her four children, Agatha found time to take long bike rides and write a regular column for the San Francisco Bar Association's quarterly magazine, as well as a book about her mother's Holocaust survival story, *Burning Horses: A Hungarian Life Turned Upside Down*.

Her latest book, *Judge Hoff, Jesus Loves You but the Rest of Us Think You're an A**hole* is a compilation of her *Tales from the Bench* columns for *San Francisco Attorney Magazine*. The title was taken from graffiti left by a disgruntled litigant on the courthouse bathroom wall, much to the amusement of court personnel, litigants and Agatha herself.





Our Worlwide Sacred Heart Family

News FROM AMASC:

CASHA Conference marks 150th Anniversary of Sacred Heart Montreal School

by June Russell Donovan, Elmburst '72, AMASC Director of North America

One of the advantages to a team of mixed USA and Canadian Officers is that AMASC people participated in both the AASH Miami Conference and the CASHA Montreal Conference.

Last fall the Canadians joined in the celebrations of the 150th anniversary of the School of the Sacred Heart Montreal by hosting their national CASHA Conference at that school.

CASHA Conference Chair, Beatrice Raffoul, provided excellent local speakers and we enjoyed the school's lively atmosphere. Head of School, Shawn O'Donnell, welcomed us and all CASHA attendees and assured us of the school's interest in the upcoming 2014 Congress, when worldwide alumnae/i will be invited to visit the historic school.

Plans are underway for older students (15 - 18 years) to attend some of the 2014 Congress workshops.

Many of you will remember the excellent AMASC Congress in Malta, which featured European speakers, and we North Americans are eager to showcase our US and Canadian speakers who will present on our theme of Listening with One Heart. Study plans are available for your associations to start work now. Please contact AMASC president, Pamela Snyder for the study plan. Contact her via email, Psnyder400@aol.com

While in Montreal we met many Canadian alums, including Sheila Donahoe, who in addition to being CASHA President is Vice Chair of Hospitality for AMASC.

Because AMASC is in 37 countries, (the A's alone include Australia, Austria and Argentina) hospitality is a big concern. To facilitate hospitality, AMASC has a place on www.Tripping.com. Founded by Atherton Alumna, Jen O'Neill, Tripping will play a key role in helping the young broaden their worldwide Sacred Heart connections. Please visit www.tripping.com to see the Sacred Heart link.

Preparing for the Montreal AMASC World Congress, September 18-21, 2014, we saw many of the sights in Old Montreal, and met with the Congress Chair, Beatrice Raffoul, who is now busy building her committees and developing plans for our visit. And oh, the food! We felt that we would be remiss in our report to you, if we did not taste the food. We promise you'll find both good cuisine and enjoy a bienvenue in Montreal.

Please visit our website, www.amasc-sacrecoeurg.org, to see all the new additions provided by our webspinner, Anne de Broglio of Australia.



Attendees gather in Montreal for the CASHA Conference, which was held in conjunction with the celebration of the Sacred Heart School of Montreal's 150th anniversary. Montreal will also be the site for the AMASC World Congress in September 2014. The Sacred Heart School of Montreal celebrated its 150th anniversary in 2011. Some of the school's older students will participate in some of the AMASC World Congress workshops when it convenes in 2014.

News from the RS

Barbara Dawson RSCJ, returns as Provincial-Elect

A familiar face will return to the office of provincial for the United States Province of the Society of the Sacred Heart this summer. Barbara Dawson, RSCJ, has accepted the appointment to serve as the next provincial of the U.S. Province. Sister Dawson's three-year term, beginning in August 2012, will be her second appointment as provincial. She previously served two three-year terms from 1993 to 1999.

Sister Dawson will succeed Paula Toner, RSCJ, who has led the province since 2008, when she replaced Sister Conan who was elected superior general while in the midst of her term as provincial. As provincial, Sister Dawson will be responsible for the communities and ministries of the Religious of the Sacred Heart in the United States. She has assembled her provincial team: Sisters Sheila Hammond, Diana Wall, Meg Causey, and Melanie Guste. Kathleen Conan, RSCJ, superior general of the international congregation of women religious, announced Sister Dawson's acceptance of her nomination in a letter to the province. In it,



Barbara Dawson, RSCJ

she wrote, "Barb will bring to this service her strong commitment to the Society, her belief in our vocation and in the province.... Barb will bring her strong sense of mission rooted in our spirituality, her commitment to the co-responsibility of the membership, her experience in various aspects of the province's ministries and the Society's internationality, and her considerable administrative experience."

Mission Advancement Update from Shirley Miler RSCJ Director of Mission Advancement U.S. Province

In 2004, the Society of the

Sacred Heart, U.S. Province,

opened our first mission advancement office in the provin-

cial offices in St. Louis. From

the very beginning of this effort,

the AASH Executive Board and

alumnae and alumni have sup-

ported the mission advancement

work of the province with prayer,

friendship, volunteer leadership



Shirley Miller, RSCJ

and financial support. With the support of the AASH board, the Society has been able to conduct eight annual appeals, a national feasibility study, the launching of the five year \$40,000,000 In Mission for Life campaign, and the Cor Unum Legacy Society. We have been welcomed into homes, schools and communities across the country, from the mountains to the prairies, from sea to shining sea, to talk about the Society's needs, hopes and dreams.

We have met your families, heard your heartwarming stories about your Sacred Heart experience, and witnessed your extraordinary lives of faith, hope and love. We have planned with you, worked with you, prayed with you, dreamed with you and been challenged by you.

You have served on the national development board, the campaign executive committee, and the regional campaign committees all across the country. You have believed in us and believed with us. You have helped make the future possible for the Society of the Sacred Heart, and you have cared deeply for our elderly sisters who love you, remember you and pray for you.

The In Mission for Life campaign is in its fifth and final year. The final regional campaigns are being conducted in the Washington DC area, southern California and Arizona, Houston, Seattle and Denver. We have gratefully received \$33,300,000 in gifts, pledges and realized bequests. It is never too late to participate in the campaign, and we hope you will consider doing so.

Your gifts continue to support the ongoing spiritual and educational mission of the Society of the Sacred Heart and the care of our elderly sisters. When we began our campaign five years ago, it was with full confidence in the Heart of Jesus and in our sisters St. Philippine Duchesne and St. Madeleine Sophie Barat, entrusting our efforts into their hearts and hands. They have assured us again and again that God continues to have a great work for the Society to accomplish, and with full hearts and minds and voice, we say AMEN!

Let us all continue together to discover and make known the great love of the Heart of Jesus. What a privilege it is for all of us to be entrusted with something so precious. Thank you for the countless ways you so generously reveal the love of God to your families, your parishes, your friends and to the Society of the Sacred Heart.

Treasures from the Heart

SEEKING ONE TREASURE CAN OFTEN LEAD TO ANOTHER ONE.

t was on a trip through Savannah, Georgia that a Sacred Heart alum saw the beautiful Mater Admirabilis stained glass window in the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. This century-old window could possibly be connected to our Sacred Heart family, and so a search began.

We learned that a fire had destroyed this historic cathedral in 1898 and all but one of its windows was lost. As the church was restored, new lancet windows were created. In our quest, we asked the archivist of the Cathedral if there was any record showing that Mother Eleanor Mary O'Byrne's family may have donated the window. This would be a wonderful connection, since Mother O'Byrne served as President of Manhattanville College from 1945-1966.

Unfortunately, no connection to the O'Byrne family was found, but in doing the research, another connection was discovered. In 1902, when the rebuilt Cathedral was rededicated, Mrs. M. A. O'Byrne donated the 13th Station of

the Cross. Based on historic records of Mother O'Byrne's family, this would be her mother, Marie McDonough O'Byrne who died shortly thereafter in 1903. O'Byrne's stepmother Sara Wren O'Byrne was also an alumna of Manhattanville and a graduate of the class of 1900.

Finding the Sacred Heart connection with this magnificent sculpture of Jesus being



Cathedral of St. John the Baptst is the home of this beautiful rendering of Station of the Cross #13 (Jesus Removed from the Cross). It was donated in 1902 by Mary McDonough O'Byrne, mother of Eleanor O'Byrne, RSCJ, president of Manhattanville (1945-'66)



Born in Savannah in 1896, Eleanor Mary O'Byrne was a small child when the 13th Station was celebrated at the rededication. She began her education at the Pape School in Savannah, then continued in New York at Manhattanville Academy of the Sacred Heart. On graduation, Eleanor O'Byrne received the coveted "Prize of Excellence."

In 1916, she entered the Society of the Sacred Heart and made her first vows on December 8, 1918. During this time, Manhattanville was developing into a Liberal Arts College, and Sister O'Byrne was among the early recipients of a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1921. She would earn additional degrees at Fordham University and at Oxford, as she rose through the ranks of educator at Sacred Heart institutions.

Mother O'Byrne retired to Kenwood in

1966 and remained there until her death at 91 in 1987. She was laid to rest in the cemetery at Kenwood in Albany, N.Y.

The search for a connection to the Mater window led us to the 13th Station, which in turn proved a connection to one of Sacred Heart's greatest treasures: Mother Eleanor Mary O'Byrne, whose life exemplified the mission set forth by St. Madeleine-Sophie Barat so long ago.



Eleanor O'Byrne (center, middle row) entered Manhattanville Academy of the Sacred Heart on September 1909 and graduated with the esteemed "Prize of Excellence" in 1915. She would return when the Academy was chartered as a college and graduate in 1921 with a bachelor of arts degree.

WHAT'S NEW AT AASH

Creative Ways to Give Back

Through the generous support of Sacred Heart alumnae and alumni, AASH commits itself to nurturing in its members' dedication to faith development, intellectual values, respect for personal integrity, social justice, and the unique philosophy of life that is rooted in the Christian vision of St. Madeleine Sophie Barat.

Each year, members of AASH, come together to support our mission. There are many ways to make a gift to AASH.

• Apply for the AASH Capital One credit card at www. cardlabconnect. com/AASH.

The Capital One credit card replaces the old AASH card issued by Bank of America, which discontinued its loyalty card program. AASH no longer receives rewards from the Bank of America credit card. Due to Capital One's rules for its loyalty card program, the only way to apply for an AASH credit card is online. They do not accept applications in writing or over the phone. By using the AASH Capital One card, AASH receives \$50 after your first purchase. Plus, AASH will receive 2% donations on gas and grocery purchases, 1% donations on all other purchases and up to 10% donations on purchases made at select merchants. Please visit www.cardlabconnect. com/AASH to learn more.

• **Donate online** at www.aashnet.org. Click on the Online Giving tab on the tool bar to get started.

• Mail a check to the AASH National Office. The address is 801 S. Spoede Road, St. Louis, MO 63131. Make the check payable to "AASH".

AASH National Directory Coming Soon!

We have engaged the services of Publishing Concepts (PCI) to publish the Associated Alumnae and Alumni of the Sacred Heart 2013 National Directory - 80th Anniversary Edition. Our goal is to get as complete and accurate information as possible and most importantly, to be inclusive. This directory will include all alumnae and alumni of present and former schools and colleges directly associated with the Religious of the Sacred Heart in the United States and Canada.

As the costs of printing and postage go up, so do our communication costs; correct mailing addresses and emails will certainly be a great help to the entire Sacred Heart community. • Do a wire transfer directly from your bank account to our AASH account. Contact treasurer@ aashnet.org for the wire instructions.



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To learn more about ways to contribute to AASH, visit our website at www.aashnet.org, contact our Board Treasurer, Russ Clever, at treasurer@ aashnet.org, or contact your estate attorney. Please consult with your tax advisor regarding the tax impact of any gift decision.

Please help spread the word to fellow Sacred Heart alums by promoting this endeavor to all of your alum friends via Face book, Twitter, email, etc. We've assembled the information currently listed in our files, but now ask for your continued assistance to confirm the accuracy of our data.

Please let alums know that it is important to contact our publishing partner Publishing Concepts (PCI) at 1-866-647-3130 to verify their contact information. Especially important as we grow ever closer to our publishing date! The deadline is August 1, 2012.

If an alum wishes to be included and needs an ID#, they should go to the AASH website and click on the link that says "I need an ID#."

What is the Network of Sacred Heart Schools

The Network consists of thousands of students, alumnae and alumni; hundreds of faculty, staff and administrators, parents, trustees and friends. Incorporated in 1991 and governed by its membership is an association of independent, educational institutions historically interrelated and committed to a common vision molded by the mission of the Society of the Sacred Heart, the religious congregation that founded the schools. Over 20 schools located across the United States are dedicated to the values of Christian education articulated over two hundred years ago by Saint Madeleine Sophie Barat.

The five Goals and Criteria unite the Network schools in the United States, yet we enjoy an even wider affiliation with the people and institutions with the Society of the Sacred Heart in forty-four countries around the world. This truly international character helps to foster an important global awareness as students are educated to build a more just world. The Network provides a means of mutual support and development among schools through sharing of intellectual, spiritual and personal resources in furthering the mission of Sacred Heart education.

Member schools have numerous opportunities for collaboration through national Network workshops and conferences. Students benefit from service programs, exchange opportunities and leadership seminars. Please visit http://sofie.org/ for more information about the Network and to find a variety of valuable resources. Be sure to follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ NetworkofSacredHeartSchools.

The Network is served by Madeleine Ortman, Executive Director, Stephanie Moore, Director of Technology and Global Integration and Vicki Noonan, Business Manager. The offices are located in St. Charles, Missouri adjacent to the Academy of the Sacred Heart, St. Charles, Missouri.



SACRED HEART SCHOOLS IN THE US.

- CA Sacred Heart Schools Atherton
- CA Schools of the Sacred Heart San Francisco -Convent & Stuart Hall
- CT Convent of the Sacred Heart Greenwich
- FL Carrollton School of the Sacred Heart
- IL Josephinum Academy
- IL Sacred Heart Schools Sheridan Road
- IL Woodlands Academy of the Sacred Heart
- LA Academy of the Sacred Heart The Rosary
- LA Schools of the Sacred Heart Grand Coteau
- MA Newton Country Day School of the Sacred Heart
- MD Stone Ridge School of the Sacred Heart
- MI Academy of the Sacred Heart Bloomfield Hills
- MO Academy of the Sacred Heart St. Charles
- MO Villa Duchesne and Oak Hill School
- NE Duchesne Academy of the Sacred Heart Omaha
- NJ Princeton Academy of the Sacred Heart
- NJ Stuart Country Day School of the Sacred Heart
- NY Convent of the Sacred Heart 91st Street
- PA Country Day School of the Sacred Heart Bryn Mawr
- TX Duchesne Academy of the Sacred Heart Houston
- TX The Regis School of the Sacred Heart
- WA Forest Ridge School of the Sacred Heart

Sacred Heart alums are renowned for their accomplishments, achievements and contributions. They are active within their association, at their schools, in their communities, with their families and many other venues. Each biennium, AASH salutes four of these alums with a Cor Unum award. To be able to present these awards, AASH needs your help in identifying outstanding alums. Please take the time to nominate a Sacred Heart alum you feel deserving of this award. Include as many pages as you wish or send along any publicity the person may have received. You may nominate any Sacred Heart alum; it is not confined to your region.

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To be awarded April 13, 2013 at the AASH 39th Biennial Conference in Omaha, Nebraska

The Cor Unum Award was established to pay tribute to alumnae and alumni who have embraced the philosophy of the Sacred Heart in their everyday lives. The meaning of Cor Unum is "one heart," taken from the motto of the Society of the Sacred Heart—One Heart and One Mind. In paying tribute to the recipients, we honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the philosophy of the Society of the Sacred Heart.

The committee is comprised of a chair and four others representing each of the four regions of AASH in the U.S. The 2013 Cor Unum Chair: Patricia Eldredge Kolojeski, email: CorUnumChair@aashnet.org and her committee: Frances Asam (Central Region), Jane Reynolds Andrews (Eastern Region), Linzee Evans LaGrange (Southern Region) and Sandra Cassel Farrell (Western Region). Nominations come from the membership at large. An outstanding person residing in each of the four regions is chosen.

I75 YEARS CHILDREN OF MARY SPREADING THE LOVE OF SACRED HEART

In celebration of the 175th Anniversary of the Congregation of the Children of Mary in the United States, a 43-page, illustrated book "Spreading the Love of the Sacred Heart for 175 Years" has been published. It traces the history of the congregation from its

American beginnings in 1836 to the present day.

The well-researched account connects secular and Church events with the lives of the Religious of the Sacred Heart and their students, who later became Children of Mary. Author Patricia Rice is a journalist, a graduate of 17 years of Sacred Heart education and a Child of Mary.

This recently published book is being sold by the Congregation of the Children of Mary of St. Louis for \$5 each, plus shipping and handling. For further information, contact Erbie Cooley at e.cooley@sbcglobal.net.

November 19th Child of Mary (EdeM) gathering for Mass and luncheon at the Shrine in St. Charles, Missouri. Pictured are left to right are Sheila Hammond, RSCJ, President, Child of Mary Sodality, Susan Sanner and Connie Dryden, RSCJ.

Bishop Edward M Rice, with three Rice sisters – no relation to the Bishop – including former EdeM President Patricia Rice who authored the book.

Boys have a Sacred Heart legacy, as well as girls

You may not know: Sacred Heart Schools for boys date back more than 100 years. Their alums include many distinguished politicians, businessmen and professionals. The differences between educating boys vs. girls was sometimes problematic for nuns, but as one account recalls, "they developed games that reduced some of the noise and boisterousness." Barat Hall for Boys, which was attended by Tom Schlafly, was founded in 1893 and was the first Sacred Heart School in the United States to educate boys. Along

with its related girls' school, City House, its doors were closed in 1968. The current contact for Villa Duchesne – City House Alumnae Association and Oak Hill-Barat Hall Alumni Association is Megan

Kahn Lee, Manager of Alumnae/i Relations – email: mlee@vdoh. org

The following list represents Sacred Heart schools that currently educate boys. (* indicates Co-ed)

- 1. Hardey Prep Chicago, IL (founded 1935)
- 2. Stuart Hall for Boys San Francisco, CA (founded 1956)
- 3. St. Joseph's Elementary Atherton, CA (Co-ed in 1969)
- 4. St. Charles co-ed 8th grade, St. Charles, MO founded in 1972)*
- 5. Oak Hill co-ed 6th grade, St. Louis, MO (founded in 1973)*
- 6. Sacred Heart Preparatory Atherton, CA (founded in 1898)*
- 7. Regis, Houston, TX (founded 1990)
- 8. Princeton Academy Princeton, NJ (founded in 1999)
- 9. Kensington Hall Bloomfield, MI (founded in 2002)
- 10. Berchmans -Grand Coteau, LA PK-3-Grade 9 (founded in 2006)







Donors Gift Woodlands Academy with Barat College property

Gerald Grossman, Head of School at Woodlands Academy of the Sacred Heart, has announced an unprecedented gift to the school. Donors informed the Woodlands Academy Board of Trustees of their intention to donate the 23-acre parcel of property formerly known as Barat College to Woodlands Academy of the Sacred Heart.

The donors wrote, "We have seen the benefits of an all-girls, Catholic high school that pushed each student to reach her potential in both academics and citizenship. We believe in the mission of Woodlands Academy. We believe in the girls. We believe in the Administration, the faculty and staff, and we believe in the Board of Trustees."

The Woodlands Academy Board of Trustees accepted this most munificent opportunity with great enthusiasm. The entire school community is thrilled that this property, which has been used to educate in the tradition of the Religious of the Sacred Heart beginning in 1904, can continue to be used for that purpose.



Barat legacy lives on in the Woodlands. The Madeleine Sophie Barat with a Child Window is the most significant piece of art that was preserved from Barat's 'Old Main' building.

"This most generous gift is a profound affirmation of our mission as expressed in the Sacred Heart Goals and Criteria and our determination to be faithful to our heritage while always looking forward to ways we will continue to respond to the needs of the world in which we live and serve," said Gerald Grossman.

The reuniting of Woodlands Academy and the former Barat College property is a bringing together of campuses dedicated to the mission of Sacred Heart education for over 100 years.

The Board plans to proceed slowly and thoughtfully through a course of feasibility studies and due diligence before taking any specific actions. What is known is that the school is committed to plans which will respect both the environment and the history of more than a century of Sacred Heart education in Lake Forest as it positions Woodlands for the next 100 years.

The Woodlands Academy St. Madeleine Sophie Barat Window

Thanks to the generosity of the Barat Education Foundation, a historic Barat College stained glass window picturing St. Madeleine Sophie Barat and a young child now graces the Bolton Sullivan Library at Woodlands Academy of the Sacred Heart. A bequest from the William B. Traynor Estate to the Barat Education Foundation funded the restoration and installation of the beautiful floor-to-ceiling window, which was formally dedicated in December 2008 as part of Woodlands! Yearlong commemoration of 150 years of Sacred Heart education in Chicago.

The St. Madeleine Sophie Barat window was dedicated to honor Barat College of the Sacred Heart faculty and alumnae/i. The engraved plaque next to the window reads:

"For the sake of one child, I would have founded the Society of the Sacred Heart." -St. Madeleine Sophie Barat-

This window is dedicated to honor the Alumae/i and Faculty of Barat College of the Sacred Heart, 1918- 2005, each of whom is that one child.# The St. Madeleine Sophie Barat window was commissioned for the Academy of the Sacred Heart at the time of the building of the chapel at Barat College of the Sacred Heart. The chapel was built in 1924 by George Hellmuth of St. Louis, whose sister, Mother Mary Hellmuth, RSCJ was a faculty member at the Academy.

The window itself was one of three above the entrance to Old Main welcoming students to the Academy of the Sacred Heart and Barat College. All three windows were designed by Emil Frei, Sr., also of St. Louis. It was the Emil Frei Art Glass Company, still based in St. Louis, that undertook the window's restoration.

Today, those who use the Woodlands library and pass through the hallway to its adjoining courtyard experience the window's beauty and serenity, and are reminded of the Sacred Heart legacy that connects Woodlands Academy and Barat College.



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