

# CLASS LETTER 2019

# Dear Class of 1963,

We had a great time with classmates at our 55th Anniversary during reunion 2018 in October. For the classmates who could not attend, we also celebrated Bobbie Hankes Olshansky's receiving the Madonna Medal for Community Service at the June 2018 Awards Night. Thank you, Class of 63, for your generous donations towards our class gift. We were able to present \$14,875 to the Mount Mary Alumnae Association Scholarship Endowment. Through the help of our class we are now just \$28,000 short of the million-dollar goal. Thank you!



From left to right, top row: Pat Palmer Benway, Kathy Daley Murphy, Therese Smith, Ann Dolina Brand, Helen Finkler, Ginny Kochis Radler, Judy Lohmiller Bray. Middle row: Peg Dyke Knepprath, Maripat Young Dalum, Marilyn Schulteis Wagner, Peggy Dockery Bauhs-Hafsoos, Nancy McConnell Sullivan, Mary Grimes Reilly, Mary Bauer Kallenbach, Judy Teske Muenzberg. Bottom row: Kathy Sigurdson DeMerssman, Maureen Phelan Mohling, Marilyn Vanden Burgt Ebben, Roberta Hankes Olshansky. Not pictured: Sandy Schmidt Schmidt.

I have to make a correction on the number of our classmates who have received Madonna Medals from the Alumnae Association. In our last letter, I said there were 10. We really have 11. I had forgotten S. Patricia Obremski, SSND who received hers for Professional Excellence in 2015.

The Starving Artists' Show sponsored by the Alumnae Association is celebrating 50 shows on September 8! A feat to celebrate. Nancy and Mary have served the artists with coffee and donuts for over 30 years. This year, they were helped by Sandy Schmidt Schmidt, Kay Mullarky Noel and Kate Guerin Scheuer '64. Over the 49 years of the show, the Association has been able to present Mount Mary with over \$1,000,000 from the profits of this annual one-day show. Want to volunteer? Contact Nancy or Mary.

We lost Mary Gebert (Milwaukee) on May 16, 2018, Joan Herringer on Sept. 18, 2006, and Maggie DuBois McPhee (Highland Park, IL) on Nov. 29, 2018.

Plan to join us at these happy events throughout the year. Watch for more information and we will see you there.



7 of our 11 Madonna Medalists at our 55th Reunion

From left to right, top row: Marilyn Schulteis Wagner, Pat Palmer Benway, Mary Bauer Kallenbach. Bottom row: Maripat Young Dalum, Nancy McConnell Sullivan, Kathy Daley Murphy, Roberta Hankes Olshansky. Winners not pictured: Winnie Gardner Ligda; S. Patricia Obremski; Mary Rademacher Rose (deceased), and Diana Woo (deceased).



2018 Awards Night

From left to right: Mary Bauer Kallenbach, Ann Dolina Brand, Peg Dockery Bauhs-Hafsoos, Bobbie Hankes Olshansky, Mary Grimes Reilly, Mo Phelan Mohling, Marilyn Schuilteis Wagner, Helen Finkler.



Ann Dolina Brand and Bobbie Hankes Olshansky with Madonna Medal at Awards Night. Ann nominated Bobbie for the award.



Chicago Christmas Luncheon

From left to right: Helen Finkler, Anne Dolina Brand, Roberta Hankes Olshansky, Winnie Gardner Ligda, and Nancy Czerwiec.



Milwaukee Christmas Luncheon

From left to right: Mary Bauer Kallenbach, Nancy McConnell Sullivan, Marilyn Schulteis Wagner, Kay Mullarkey Noel, and Pat Palmer Benway.

#### STAYING CONNECTED

Do you know what exciting things are happening at Mount Mary? When the next alum event is? If you would like to continue to receive news, invitations, e-communications, and more from Mount Mary, please update your contact info with the Office of Alumnae Relation by calling (414) 930-3025 or emailing mmu-alumnae@mtmary.edu.

By keeping your contact info current, you stay informed about our classmates through class letters and the Mount Mary Magazine. In each magazine, we celebrate and remember the lives of our classmates and their families in the In Memoriam listing, and we learn about their professional and personal accomplishments, weddings, births and more in Class Notes. Please submit any class notes or inmemoriam notices at mtmary.edu/alumnae/update.

Another great way to stay connected is by liking the Alumnae Association Facebook page or joining the LinkedIn Alumnae page. Here, you will find the most up-to-date information, event reminders and news from your fellow alums.

#### **GETTING TOGETHER**

Alumnae Weekend and Reunion is a fun, festive time for us to reconnect with old friends and come back to Mount Mary. Each class is invited to participate with special recognition to the milestone anniversary years. In the past few years, there have been class programs, lunches, entertainment, presentations and so much more. What would you like to see at this year's Alumnae Weekend and Reunion? Let's talk with our classmates and brainstorm some ideas to send to the Office of Alumnae Relations.

More information about Alumnae Weekend and Reunion will be available in summer.

## **MOUNT MARY UNIVERSITY AND ALUMNAE EVENTS FOR 2019**

- Mount Mary Week Celebration | Feb.18-22 | Including "Show the Love" Giving Day on Feb. 20
- Women's Leadership Institute: Voices of Leadership featuring Jessica Shortall | Mar. 21
- CREO Fashion Show | Friday, May 10
- 50th Starving Artists' Show (Alumnae Association Scholarship Fundraiser) | Sunday, Sept. 8
- Alumnae Weekend and Reunion | The Weekend of October 5
- Alumnae Christmas Luncheon | MILWAUKEE: Tuesday, Dec. 3 | CHICAGO: Tuesday, Dec. 10

PLEASE STAY TUNED FOR ADDITIONAL EVENTS IN 2019! For full event descriptions and registration, visit mtmary.edu/alumnae/events.

# Personal Message from Mount Mary President, Dr. Christine Pharr

These days when I think of generosity, I often think of our alums. Whether you graduated 5 years ago or 50 years ago, I'm continuously inspired by your ongoing gifts of time, talent and treasure.

Some of you have volunteered tirelessly for decades. I see you at the Starving Artists' Show or making popcorn for students. I know some classes have set up endowments for student scholarships, and individuals make donations to all sorts of things including the unrestricted fund, which allows Mount Mary

to use the funds where they're needed most. You might be interested to know that during the last fiscal year, alums donated nearly \$1.7 million, largely for student scholarships. And I know you pray for us because I can feel it and see it in the transformation of lives happening on campus.

What I want to tell you is that whether you give \$50 a year or an estate gift, whether you have volunteered for years or only once, whether you share your expertise with us, recruit for us or pray for us....whatever you give... we are extremely grateful. You are paying it forward to the next generation of women who are now attending Mount Mary as they seek to find their way, their calling, and their vocation in life.

I look forward to seeing you soon! Christine

### **ANNUAL CLASS GIVING & MOUNT MARY GIVING DAY**

Mount Mary shaped us into the people we are today. It was the place where we built lifelong friendships and gained knowledge and learned lessons that have sustained throughout our lives. I want to ensure that the future remains bright and full of potential for today's students. Will you join me in making a gift to Mount Mary this year?

The best time to give is during Mount Mary's 2nd annual Giving Day on February 20 from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. You don't want to miss this opportunity. All gifts will be matched dollar-for-dollar through the federal Title III Grant that Mount Mary received in fall 2018. It doesn't matter whether you give \$10 or \$1,000 because every gift makes a difference in continuing the Mount Mary tradition.



Throughout the day, there will be special challenges that unlock additional money including the opportunity to make a gift in honor of your favorite program and a virtual scavenger of Mount Mary.

Let's show the love and ensure that all students have opportunities to discover their passions and become world changers. Visit app.mobilecause.com/vf/MMULove to learn more.

If you have any questions about giving to Mount Mary, please call 414-930-3034 or email mmu-dev@mtmary.edu.

We wish you all a happy and healthy new year, dear classmates. Please send any updates or pictures when you meet with classmates and we will share them in our letters. Feel free to text any pictures to Marilyn. Blessings and hugs to all.

Your class reps,

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