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Dear Mountie Alumnae,

*“And oft in the distance as years roll along, we’ll return
Alma Mater to greet you in song.”*

What a treat it was to witness "The Sound of Music" on our beautifully refurbished auditorium stage this past November! Those gathered had their spirits lifted by the familiar tunes of this beloved musical, just as audiences long ago had experienced similar joy when Mounties staged this performance in 1964, 1974, and 1986. As Mount St. Mary Academy celebrates its 95th year, our school uplifts fond memories and experiences that continue to come alive again in new and wonderful ways. Our current Mounties, much like our alumnae, know that their hearts are blessed to be part of this special community.

Meaningful MSM connections were celebrated throughout our first semester of the academic year. On December 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, we celebrated our treasured Junior Ring Ceremony where the Class of 2024 received their MSM rings. The ring that these juniors now proudly wear is a symbol of the sisterhood that enfolds all of our alumnae. How beautiful it is to witness mothers, grandmothers, and aunts present the ring to their special Mountie—the past connected with the present.

Thankfully with COVID-19 lifting, we've been able to welcome dear friends back to campus. For our Advent Lessons and Carols right before Christmas, we were happy to host five of our retired teachers for prayer and breakfast. It was wonderful for them to reminisce together about their special MSM memories, but also for these treasured teachers to experience the delight of our current students celebrating the holiday season.

In January, members of our MSM Community hand-delivered the Class of 2027 their acceptance letters. There is an anxious and excited anticipation that currently fills this prospective centennial class as they wait to start their freshman year, the same feeling our alumnae felt when they were the same age! This year's incoming class will welcome daughters from proud MSM graduates—a truly special time to have Mountie moms now witness their children pass through these same hallways.

We hope that this issue of Focus will call to mind many memories of your high school years as you read about all the exciting happenings here at MSM. We are always willing to welcome you home to visit, so you can share your story with us of which memories from MSM make your heart sing.

Blessings of joy in this New Year,

Mrs. Katie Spillman
Principal



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A Legacy Remembered

KENNETH FELTGES 1945 - 2022



The Mount St. Mary Academy Community is forever changed by the impact of our beloved retired English Teacher, Mr. Kenneth Feltges. Mr. Feltges retired from MSM in 2012, and was the kind of educator who brought out the best in our students, even when they couldn't see it for themselves. He brought his passion for literature into the classroom, and touched the lives of so many of our alumnae. Even after his retirement, he served as MSM's very own "Artist-in-Residence."

In 2010, Mr. Feltges, along with his wife Trudy, helped create The Guardian Angel Fund. This fund is meant to support MSM families until they get back on their feet after financial crises, while maintaining the steadiness of their students' education, friendships, spiritual enrichment, and daily life. Because of the Feltges' dedication to MSM and our mission, this fund alone has awarded over \$250,000 to families. Mr. and Mrs. Feltges received MSM's Distinguished Educator Award in 2015, and our community of alumnae had the honor of thanking this extraordinary couple for their dedication to our school, and enriching our students' experiences.

His passing this past June left a hole in the hearts of our alumnae who had the honor of having him as a teacher. His words and teachings stayed with our Mounties long after their graduation and into adulthood. Thank you, Mr. Feltges, for making us fall in love with learning. Much like the books and films you loved and taught, your legacy is a story that will last forever.

Mr. Feltges was the definition of what a teacher should be. He was caring and supportive but pushed us to be better students. He was a male teaching in an all-girls school, and he never shied away from encouraging us to be strong, thoughtful, intellectual and outspoken women. He encouraged us to be leaders, and made a safe space for us to voice our opinions.

The speech he gave at our graduation will always stick with me. He called us all extraordinary and told us we could take on the world. Mr. Feltges was the type of person you never forget. He impacted the lives of many and his legacy will carry on for many years to come.

CATIE COLSON '14

Mr. Feltges became a highlight of my high school years. From English class to film and short story electives, some of my fond memories include: reciting memorized lines from "Romeo & Juliet" before being allowed to enter class, producing our own short films, in-school field trip days where we ordered food/analyzed movies, and being inspired by Mr. Feltges' photography at our MSM craft shows (I still have several of his works displayed in my home).

Thank you, Mr. Feltges, for sharing your passion for literature, film and photography with me and the world! I will always cherish the memories and life lessons you taught us! "Parting is such sweet sorrow!"

LAURA BORK '07

I still quote Mr. Feltges every day. Just yesterday I was thinking of "Rome and Juliet" ("Doth thou bite thy thumb at me, sir?") and how much of an impact he made on my life. People come and go and the ebb and flow of life will continue, but someone as special and true as he will never leave our hearts and souls. I know, even when I'm older than dirt, that I will never forget him. He found so much love and happiness in Mrs. Feltges. May we mere mortals be so lucky. After all, to quote Marc Anthony, "This was a man!"

CHRISTY HUMMEL '06

"We shall never see his like again." -George R. R. Martin

MADDY EBERHARDT '13

Mr. Feltges was the best teacher I ever had. He expected and brought out the best in me, as he also did with all of my classmates. He helped me to feel validated as a writer and is the reason I still have a passion for English, reading, and writing. He inspired me to become a teacher myself. I still smile thinking of the days when we were told to "Hit the bricks!" It never felt like just another class - it was always a new happy memory of time at MSM.

MICHELLE COLLIER RICHAU '07

Mr. Feltges was always so encouraging during our Reflections meetings. He guided us to think for ourselves while providing oversight and support rather than tasks and to-dos. He always encouraged our own critical thinking with challenges and suggestions. I will always remember fondly the time that I missed his rendition of "The Night Before Christmas" due to a swing choir concert. He found out about my being upset that I had missed it and later that day got on the loudspeaker, "Miss Jakiel. This is for you." His kindness and dedication to his students were always so visible. Mr. Feltges was truly an exemplary educator and person. I am a better person for having known him.

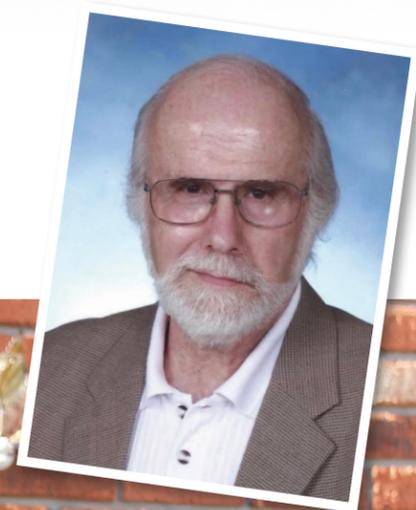
LAURA JAKIEL BENNETT '08

Mr. Feltges would always stay after class and discuss film with me. He was always so supportive and stopped me in my tracks when he would loudly say; "MISS MOSLOW!" He would then crack a smile and tell me to carry on. He was truly an inspiring man and taught me so much about myself and the world. I couldn't be more grateful for his guidance and love.

JULIE MOSLOW SZRAMA '09

Mr. Feltges was an incredible educator and person. I could listen to him talk for hours because he was so inspiring. He actually is a huge reason I became a teacher. One thing I never forgot was how he never made us feel stupid. His classes were the only ones I wasn't afraid to raise my hand in. I lacked confidence especially in poetry and I left his classes feeling more sure of myself. He was also hilarious! One time he pulled out a small sledgehammer and banged it on a desk just to make the story he was telling interesting while at the same time making us laugh uncontrollably. In his class you felt seen, loved, and safe from judgment. He surely will never be forgotten.

EMILY BRICK SOMMER '04



Just One More Thing...

By: *Kathlyn Culligan '01*

Mr. Feltges was a man who made his journey matter, and that was what mattered to him. In his own words, he was "always proud to be a teacher." He shared once in an interview that he "couldn't believe he was getting paid to do what he loved" and that he could "practice [his] art and make some magic out of it." Anyone who had the privilege to learn with Mr. Feltges—and learning with Mr. Feltges was not limited to students in his classroom—would agree that his teaching style seemed magical. There was a running joke that when he was talking, you couldn't help but feel that you should be taking notes, even outside of school. The pixie dust, though, was passion for his craft and respect for his students. What may seem to some to be minor gestures—such as addressing students as "Miss" or shaking each student's hand at the end of a course—created a learning culture where each individual felt valued and seen. In fact, one of Mr. Feltges' favorite aspects of teaching was learning from his students. A life-long learner himself, he modeled this for his classes, and his final message to his students was to explore and pursue "what makes [them] happy."

Of course, he would put his hand up, tilt his head, and raise an eyebrow in his signature "enough" signal if I had dared to share such glowing remarks about him in his presence, as one of his most endearing qualities was his humility. With a slight smirk and dry wit he would joke that "you could agree with [him] or you could be wrong," but one of the reasons he was so beloved by his students was because he promoted independent thinking. He strongly believed that an educator should help students learn how to think rather than what to think. "Questions should be valued as much if not more than answers," he once told me. During his induction into the Kenmore West High School's Hall of Fame, Mr. Feltges astutely pointed out that every mistake is a learning opportunity. When a lesson flopped, he learned how to make it more engaging for the next class, and he shared this philosophy with students when they struggled. He said of his own high school experience, "I was not an 'A' student in high school; I was not a 'B' student in high school; I was in high school," and this gave him a unique sense of empathy for his students. Perhaps this is why his students trusted him not only with their education but often with personal struggles—looking to him for wisdom, for advocacy, or for a nonjudgmental ear. Even in his dapper three-piece-suit and pocket watch, Mr. Feltges was accessible and relatable. His students knew that he always had their best interest at heart.

In true Mr. Feltges form, I must add "just one more thing." While Mount St. Mary will never be quite the same without Mr. Feltges, and that is a sadness, Mount St. Mary will also never be quite the same because of Mr. Feltges, and that is a blessing. Mr. Feltges will always be: "the man, the myth, and the legend" that lives on.



1964



1974

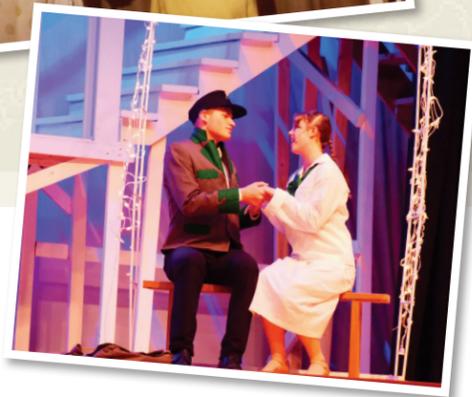


1986

"THE SOUND OF MUSIC"

Mount St. Mary Academy's musical productions have been an exciting tradition since the early 1940s. Generations of Mounties have shared their musical talents on stage and created lifelong memories. This past fall, our current students put on an unforgettable performance of "The Sound of Music", a beloved classic that has a special place in MSM History having past productions in 1964, 1974, and 1986.

Members of our alumnae community couldn't help but reminisce about their time behind the scenes with Maria and the Von Trapp family years ago, proving that some traditions can last a lifetime.



MSM's Productions of The Sound of Music in 1974 and 2022.

THE AUD STAGE HOLDS GENERATIONS OF MEMORIES

By: Catherine "Candie" Steffan Ward '75

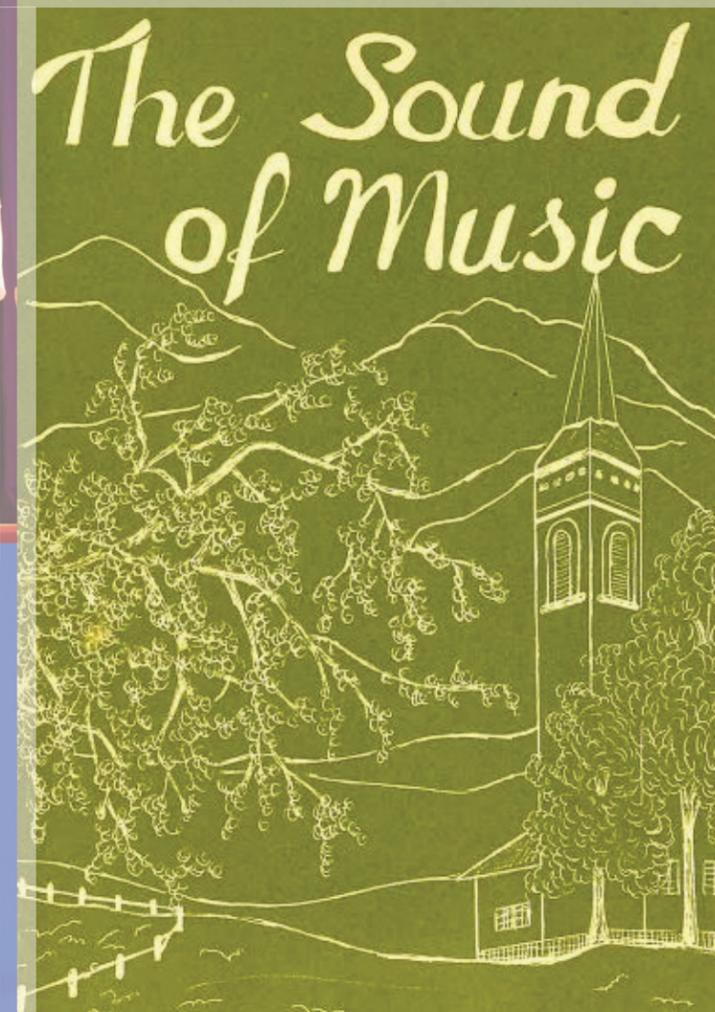
As I walked into the Mount St. Mary Academy Auditorium to see this year's fall production of "The Sound of Music", I was flooded with many memories. I had been here as a student practicing for glee club, as well as performing the part of Liesl in the 1974 production of the same play. At that point, the fall play was a senior activity and almost the whole senior class was involved. Any student theatrical production is a great team-building activity and I could see the same camaraderie on the faces of today's students as I enjoyed back in 1974. I can't believe that it was almost 50 years ago!

Memories that really stand out include: having the wrong costume sent for the part of Rolf and the whole cast laughing hysterically when he showed up on stage at rehearsal wearing knickers! I also remember that we all had to jump on a bed, which we borrowed from Sears, during "My Favorite Things." I was the last one to jump on the bed, and when I did it collapsed on stage in the middle of the performance. We had to carry on without laughing or worrying about whether or not Sears would charge us for a broken bed.

The experience is one I will never forget! Watching this year's production brought back the joy of the performance! Mount St. Mary Academy led me to pursue a career teaching art and to being involved in aspects of the performing arts during my 35 years of teaching at St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute. I'm so thankful for that start! I had a tear in my eye as the Von Trapp Family left the stage climbing over the mountain, so representative of all our life journeys. Sometimes unwanted and unexpected turns end up taking us places we could never imagine.

Congratulations to this year's cast and crew of "The Sound of Music"! Keep climbing those mountains!

Candie Steffan Ward '75 as Liesl in 1974 and Anna Karassik '26 as Liesl this past fall.



HOW MSM LEAD ME TO MY DREAM CAREER

By Clarice Scarpace '19

Throughout the course of my education at MSM, I absolutely adored going to school. I cultivated wonderful friendships, and learned from what I firmly believe to be some of the greatest teachers in the world.

At the beginning of my high school career, I thought I was going to pursue a career in the medical field as a neurosurgeon. Being a proactive person by nature, I jumped into preparing myself as best I could for that path. I took Introduction to Health Sciences as a sophomore and soon after received a full scholarship to Camp Neuro from University at Buffalo. Aside from the lectures on neurological diseases and sewing bananas, I quickly discovered that I was not cut out for the medical field. By MSM granting me opportunities to explore different paths, I know now that I narrowly escaped a career I would have disliked, and discovered what this path was truly missing: my passion.

Upon that wake-up-call, I immediately shifted gears and began to pursue what excited and interested me rather than the impressive two-letter title of "M.D." Ever since I was a child, I've loved animals and dreamed of becoming a celebrated zoologist or conservationist like Jane Goodall or Steve Irwin. I don't think I would've taken this dream and run with it if not for Mount. Not only did Mount help me become the most marketable candidate when it came to applying for my competitive program, but the teachers themselves were incredible influences. My physics teacher, Mr. Bogdan, taught me that science didn't have to be all note-taking and dusty textbooks. Quite the contrary—science is fun! Something as simple as rolling a ball down a ramp became interesting and engaging through his passion for what he does and his kindness towards our class. Learning in his class was an adventure, and it taught me that my entire career and life should be exactly that. He was an incredibly generous and welcoming man, and he very quickly became one of my favorite teachers because of this.

"My teachers at MSM taught me to chase adventure and passion in whatever I do."

In clinging to that lesson, I discovered Canisius College's ABEC Program, where I could tailor my degree through electives based on my interests such as: Zoo Animal Management, Primatology, and Conservation Education. Using the writing skills I developed at Mount, I wrote a 75-page thesis on competition and cooperation in human and nonhuman primates; comparing chimpanzee and bonobo society to human societal tendencies and political theory such as Voltaire and Machiavelli. I was also able to become a researcher at the Buffalo Zoo where I researched the zoo's gorilla troop. I've even been lucky enough to be published in the Journal of Zoological and Botanical Gardens, writing a study on how the absence of visitors affected gorilla behavior during the COVID-19 pandemic. Marrying my chosen profession with exploration, I was able to present my published findings at the Animal Behavior Society conference in Costa Rica this past July.

My blessings continue as my final semester of college will be spent in Ireland at the National University of Ireland, Galway, ranking among the top 1% of universities in the world. I get to write my story thanks to a little determination and the lessons I've learned from Mount St. Mary Academy. It is for this and the individuals that helped along the way that I am extremely grateful.



HAPPY 95TH BIRTHDAY, MOUNT ST. MARY ACADEMY!

It's been 95 years since Mount St. Mary Academy first opened its doors in 1927. 95 years of friendships, traditions, and educating young women.

Our alumnae sisterhood is something that starts as a student in high school and remains with us throughout our lives. We acknowledge the classes celebrating their reunions in 2022, as these classes will also share an anniversary with MSM's 100-year celebration in 2027!



CLASS OF 1954

MSM's Reverse Raffle in November



CLASS OF 1962

60th Reunion in October in MSM Chapel



CLASS OF 1967

55th Reunion in September



CLASS OF 1972

50th Reunion in August



CLASS OF 1975

MSM's Chrysalis Gift Gathering in August



CLASS OF 1977

45th Reunion in October



CLASS OF 2002

20th Reunion in October



CLASS OF 2011

10th Reunion in August (rescheduled from 2021)



CLASS OF 2012

10th Reunion in October

Are you or a loved one celebrating a reunion? Purchase a MSM Auditorium Seat Plaque to commemorate the occasion! Contact Alexis Arth, Coordinator of Development & Special Events (716) 877-1358 ext. 304 or email aarth@msmacademy.org

Class Notes

Where you'll find updates on all of your sister alumnae. Class notes are updates since the Summer of 2021 issue of "Focus".

60s

Pat Speth Sherman '63 published her historical nonfiction book "American Tapestry: Portrait of a 'Middling' Family, 1746-1934" in 2021. Her articles have appeared in publications such as "Pennsylvania Magazine" and "Biography and Oregon Historical Quarterly." Pat also previously served as the mayor of Brookings, Oregon, from 2005 to 2008.

Christina Bissett '69 is a successful published author of five books! She was invited to speak at the International Dublin Writers Festival in September 2022, as well as the South Dakota Festival of Books the following week. ✓



70s

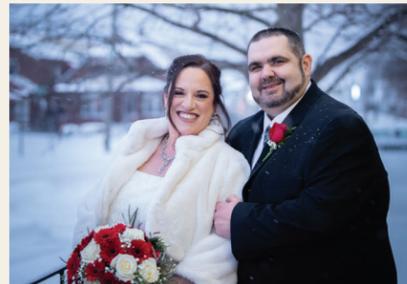
Maureen McCarron '71 joined MSM's Introduction to Health Professions class (taught by **Elizabeth Reiser '75**) to speak about her career in Speech Language Pathology.

Mary Magee Bogdan '73 received the Distinguished Leadership Award from The Center for the Polyurethanes Industry (CPI) of the American Chemistry Council. Mary currently works for Honeywell as a Sr. Principal Scientist researching fluorocarbons used in insulation.

90s

Donielle M. Scherff '94 was elected in November 2022 to a town council seat in Herndon, Virginia, a small majority minority town 35 minutes outside of Washington, D.C. "The education I received in the classroom and beyond at the Mount lit my path. Thanks as always for everything, MSM!"

Jessica Fortunate Sullivan '96 married James Sullivan in the blizzard on December 26, 2022. She currently works as a third-grade enrichment teacher with the Niagara Falls City School District. ✓



00s

Bridget Sullivan Ryan '01 was featured in Buffalo Business First's 40 Under 40 List as the Director of Sales and HR at Fat Bob's Smokehouse.

Esther Ossei-Anto '01 was promoted to Director at Fashion Show Las Vegas in Las Vegas, NV.

Victoria Suto '02 recently relocated to Pinehurst, NC to work as a Direct to Consumer Channel Leader at Golf Pride Grips - a division of Eaton Corporation.

Kelly Jakiel Copps '04 received Buffalo Spree's BEST OF BUFFALO Award for Best Theatre Education Programming for her production company Second Generation Theatre.

Courtney Donahue '05 and **Mary Balkin Cannata '08** were featured on the 2022 Upstate New York Rising Stars list for their success in law at Lippes Mathias. Courtney is in estate and trust litigation, while Mary is in Business/corporate law.

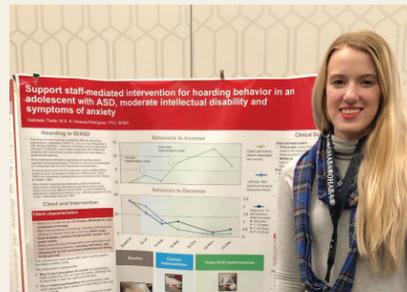
Josephine Ossei-Anto Theal '06 and her husband welcomed their third daughter, Daphne, on Nov. 1—another future Mountie! ✓



Sr. Maria Grace Thielman, O.P. '09 made her perpetual profession with the Dominican Sisters of Saint Cecilia in Nashville, Tennessee, in July 2022. ✓



Gabrielle Tiede '09 received her PhD from the Department of Psychology at Ohio State University in December 2022. ✓



10s

Victoria Lojacano DiVirgillo '10 married Nicholas DiVirgillo in May 2022, and recently started working as a manager for cybersecurity awareness and communications at the Jackson Laboratory. She focuses on the "human-centered" approach to cybersecurity and is leading the initiative to educate employees on secure behaviors and protecting company and personal data. ✓



Maria Fahs Finan '10 and her husband Ben welcomed their first child, Archie Miles Finan, in September 2022. ✓

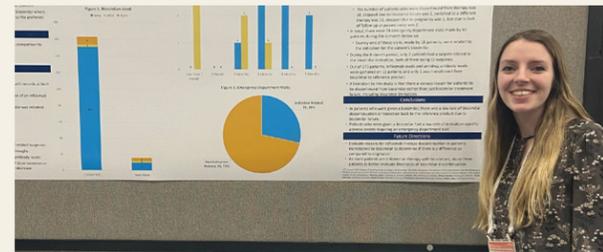


Sarah Kingston '11 has been engaged to Sergio Gangarossa since October 2022 and is are planning their wedding for March 2023.

Rosie Paternostro '11 has been engaged to Zach Richards since November 2022. The two plan to get married in June 2024.

Natalie Maranto Boorady '12 was awarded the 2022 Medical Staff Associate of the Year Award for her work as a RN at Kenmore Mercy Hospital

Marissa Saber '16 presented at the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists conference in Las Vegas in December! Marissa graduated from the UB School of Pharmacy this year and is now in her first year at Yale New Haven Hospital. ✓



Congratulations to **Julia Murphy '18** for directing MSM's production of their Fall Musical: The Sound of Music with assistance from the show's producer **Kelly Jakiel Copps '04**.

20s

Julia DiNunzio '20 is currently studying aeronautical systems technology engineering with a minor in photojournalism. She has learned how to use machinery and how to work in a very male-dominated environment.



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In Memoriam

We pray for all of the beloved members of our Mount St. Mary Academy community who have gone to rest with our Lord. We remember our loved ones who have passed since Summer 2022:

Kenneth Feltges

Sister Margaret Mary Duggan '48

Mary Shepard Falk '50

Marcella Forde Uhlman '54

Ann Bissonette Curan '63

Susan Jarosz Osborne '64

Mary Ann Panepinto '72

Teresa Bompczyk '13

1 The Main Office Staff: Ms. Cassandra Ferby, Mrs. Kim Adams, and Mrs. Mary Reiser Fiorella '79 celebrated MSM's 95th Anniversary on September 8.

2 Bonnie Biersbach Alabiso '64 had the entire MSM Gymnasium cheering her on as she took home the Grand Prize at Reverse Raffle on November 5!

3 Chrysalis 2023 Co-Chair Margrit DiCamillo '89 presented her daughter Lucy Voelkl '24 with her MSM class ring at the Junior Ring Ceremony on December 8.

4 Rebecca Sander '24 received her MSM Class Ring from her grandmother Gale Klocke Sander '61, her aunts Gale Sander Podsiadlo '84, Teresa Sander Hooper '86, and Eileen Sander Klein '90, cousins Emily Klein '19 and Jessica Klein '23, and sister Bridget Sander '22.

5 MSM Alumnae Board Member Jennifer George Walsh '90 presented her niece Kallista Bertini '24 with her MSM class ring.

6 Madeline Bronson '24 received her MSM class ring from her grandmother Deborah Finn Allen '70, her aunt and MSM Board of Trustees President Colleen Allen '98, and her mother Rebecca Allen Bronson '95.

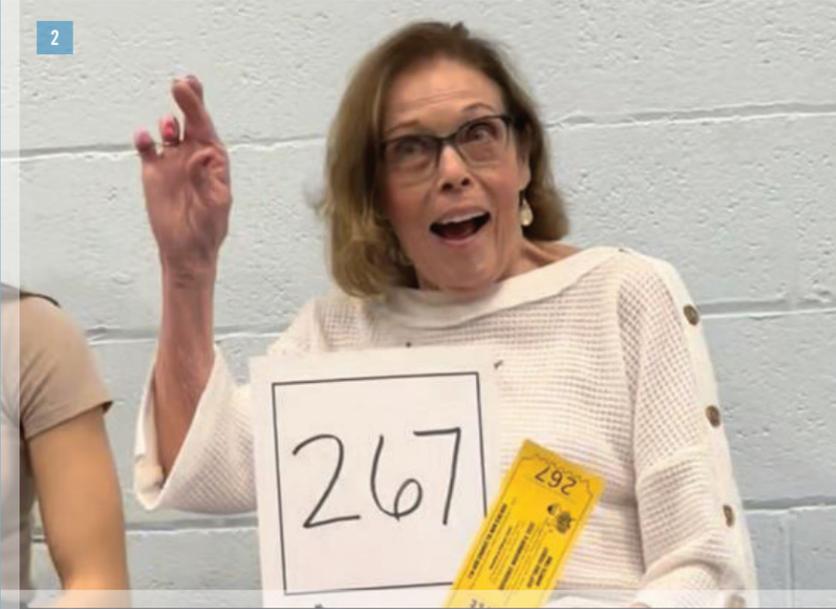
7 Paige Glor '24 and Peyton Glor '24 received their MSM class rings from their grandmother Lynn Felthousen Gottler '65, their great-aunts Jeanne Gottler Kreuden '71 and Karen Gottler Wickens '61, their aunt Darlynn Ruiz Gottler Harms '82, and their cousins Jessica Harms Biegers '11, Rebecca Harms '14, and Erica Harms '16.

8 Chrysalis 2023 Co-Chair Lisa Battaglia Garvey '96 presented her daughter Maeve Garvey '24 with her MSM class ring along with her sister Katherine Battaglia Pogorzelski '98.

9 MSM Board of Alumnae Member Laura Belczak Heim '02 and her family posed with Santa Claus himself at "Breakfast with Santa" on December 10.

10 Members of MSM's Board of Trustees, Maria Velasco Deyell '95, Mary Balkin Cannata '08, Colleen Allen '98, and Daniel Cavarello provided breakfast for our faculty and staff during Christmas Spirit Week!

11 Members from MSM's Class of 2022 returned for the school's Christmas Brunch on December 20 to sing Christmas carols with our current students!



Alumnae Giving

1940S

Mary L. Almeter '48
Shirley Gruber Mayle '48
Clara Vathy '48

1950S

Marjorie Pietrzykowski Nabozny '51
Audrey Klein Ceglinski '52
Margaret Wolf Gennaro '54
Patricia Moss Means '54
Mary Theresa Furfari Colson '54
Marcia Kieta Illig '54
Constance Rexford Lewis Hooker '54
Donna Carney Spicer '54
Bernice Diehl Morrison '55
Elaine Panty '55
Sandra Sukiennik DeGlopper '56
Patricia Vorburger Harvey '56
Janet Mollnow Lannen '56
Jane Gilbert Mulawka '56
Carolyn Nenni '56
Camille Aversano Passarella '56
Sheila Glaser Bultmann '57
Valerie Bast Guenther '57
Marie Smolen Fleischman '58
Suzanne Marzolf Glasgow '58
Rosary Ann Agati Pantano '58
Mary Ann Kudla Hargrave '59
April McMahan '59
Margaret Rohs Ogi '59
Yvonne Boutet Pohlman '59

1960S

Mary Lou Cassidy Dembik '60
Ruth Tuttle Frawley '60
Mary Ellen Zang Hoffman '60
Maureen Marmion Hourigan '60
Carol Nowak Plain '60
Nancy Martin Pfeil '60
Linda Mahler Murphy '60
Margaret Wolf Baetzhold '61
Anne Wolf Johnson '61
Dolores Doyle Kennedy '61
Alice Reichardt Thomas '61
Susanne Wagner Tocke '61
The Class of 1962's 60th Reunion
Patricia Marmion Beecher '62
Sharon Hartnett Campbell '62
Rosemary Criqui Cooley '62
Michele Boutet Deyell '62
Joann LaCavera Folts '62
Carol Schihl Grabinski '62
Carol Nucherenno-Godfryd '62
Joan Kantor Holesko '62
Roberta Haley Love '62
Sandra Horwood McKenna '62
Carolyn Ostrzynski '62
Lorraine Pierre '62
Rosemary Zajac Roskam '62
Marilyn Hartung Carmichael '63
Patricia Weisbeck Collard '63

Beverlee Hill '63
Eileen Litwinski Kuczarski '63
Moira Gallagher Schorr '63
Maureen McPartland Sumera '63
Kathleen Mulholland Cavalieri '64
Patricia Coughlin '64
Mary Strobel Lenegan '64
Mary Lyons '64
Judith Dinino Mislin '64
Joyce Joller Sarkasian '64
Christine Robinson Smolen '64
Patricia Wrobel '64
Karen Adamski '65
Judylee Matesick Loos '65
Pamela Roesch Martzolf '65
Cynthia Rebadow Borysewicz '66
Nancy DeTine '66
Kathleen Schweizer Elias '66
Anne Sullivan Fisher '66
Linda Strobel Gourlay '66
Maryann Pokracki Jumper '66
Michele Nigro Scott '66
Cathy Shelton '66
The Class of 1967's 55th Reunion
Donna Hutten '67
Sharon Allaire Klug '67
Christina Ryan Judge '67
Mary Patricia Pauly '67
Anna Marie Jones Rice '67
Joann Weeks '67
Theresa Mago McClure '68
Susan Muscarella '68
Alicia Tuyn '68
Margaret Liegl Culliton '69
Katherine Schulz Clunie '69
Barbara Miller Stone '69

1970S

Deborah Finn Allen '70
Kathleen O'Connor Benzaquin '70
Georgia Buscaglia-Owczarzak '70
Christine Mitrowski Bylewski '70
Cynthia Ambis Hedges '70
Mary Kay Viksjo Koenen '70
Elizabeth Maier '70
Barbara Jellinick Mayer '70
Donna Rebadow '70
Christine Robinson Smolen '70
Deborah Warren '70
Karen White '70
Colleen Connolly Culligan '71
Christine Ronald Cummings '71
Beth DeTine '71
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Saturday, March 18, 2023 at the Wurlitzer Events Center

Mount St. Mary Academy's signature fundraising event, Chrysalis, will be on Saturday, March 18, 2023 at the Wurlitzer Events Center! We are delighted to announce this year's Chrysalis theme, The Luck of the Mount! Our event chair couples, Lisa Battaglia Garvey '96 & Mike Garvey, parents of Maeve '24 & Adelaide '25, Margrit DiCamillo '89 & Jeffrey Voelkl, parents of Lucy '24, and Rebecca & Andrew Attea, parents of Kate '24, are thrilled to be spearheading this important event.



Scan the QR code or visit msmacademy.org to purchase your event tickets.

MSM'S GIVING DAY | Thursday, May 11, 2023

Save The Date! Mount St. Mary Academy will be hosting its first ever Giving Day on Thursday, May 11!



MSM GRADUATION | Saturday, May 20, 2023



ALUMNAE WEEKEND

Friday, June 23 - MSM Alumnae Board's Golf Tournament at Rothland Golf Course

Saturday, June 24 - Happy Hour and Networking for All Alumnae

Sunday, June 25 - Alumnae Mass and Sunday at MSM

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This mission is only made possible through the kindness and generosity of our good friends and benefactors who support us in our work through their prayers and donations. Make your gift today by scanning the QR code or making a donation at msmacademy.org/donate

