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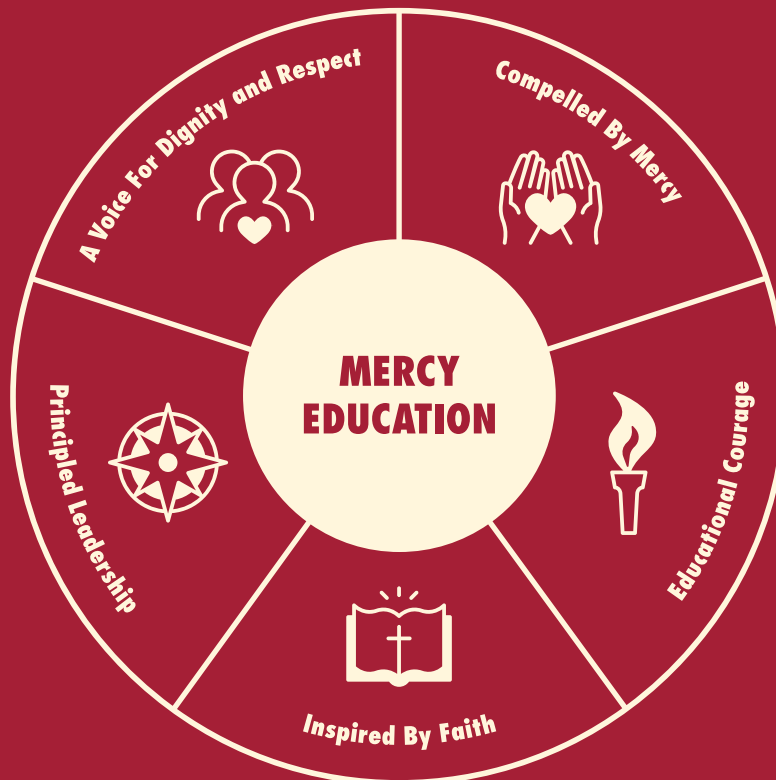
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LETTER FROM
MERCY'S PRESIDENT

Dear Friend of Mercy,

As we reflect on another remarkable year at Mercy High School, I am filled with gratitude for your unwavering support. Your generosity has been instrumental in advancing our mission, enhancing our campus, and enriching our programs and activities. Together, we continue to provide an exceptional education that empowers young women to excel with courage and serve with compassion.



In the words of The Venerable Catherine McAuley, Founder of the Sisters of Mercy, *"Our center is God from whom all our actions should spring."* When you **Put Faith in Her Education**, you're investing in our Mercy vision of being the shining lamp of Catholic education where students lead faith-filled lives, use their voices, and achieve their goals.

I encourage you to immerse yourself in the spirit of Mercy as you read this issue of Mosaic. The strength of our community and the transformative power of a Mercy education shine throughout these pages. You will find inspiring stories that highlight memorable moments from 2024—milestones in academics, athletics, arts, mission and ministry. Explore updates from our incredible alumnae making a difference in the world. Our Donor Honor Roll recognizes those who have invested directly in the future of our beloved school and our students. We are especially grateful to those who have established scholarships, made planned gifts, and contributed to special projects.

I invite you to continue your journey with us—whether through donating, volunteering, spreading the good word about Mercy, attending events or staying connected. You are an integral part of the Mercy family! Your commitment to **Invest in Her Future** through your time, talent and treasure shapes the lives of our students in profound ways. If it's been a while since your last visit, come by - I'd be delighted to give you a tour!

Thank you for your faithful belief in the value of a Mercy education. May God bless you and your loved ones with health and happiness in the coming year.

In Mercy,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cheryl Delaney Kreger '66".

Dr. Cheryl Delaney Kreger '66

Gifts from the Sisters of Mercy Enrich our Campus & Faith

We are happy to share some wonderful additions to Mercy that enrich our Catholic identity, beautify our campus, and deepen our connection to the Sisters of Mercy.

The Sisters of Mercy granted a conservation easement to our school, protecting over 30 acres of stunning natural land, including the beloved "Mercy Pond." This nature conservancy is now an official part of our grounds and features a variety of elements designed to promote reflection and prayer. Among these are the Stations of the Cross, a Prayer Labyrinth, a gazebo, walking trails, and the serene Upper Rouge River.

We are pleased to announce the relocation of a magnificent 7-foot tall bronze sculpture of Mary, created by renowned artist Joseph N. DeLauro. This statue, named Our Lady of Peace, is now positioned at the student flagpole entrance.

For over 55 years, she has graced the "Mercy Pond" on the adjacent former Sisters of Mercy property, and now, as the Patroness of our school, she will serve as a welcoming symbol of our Catholic faith and the Mercy Core Values. We are truly blessed to receive this beloved Our Lady of Peace statue, along with several items from the Sisters of Mercy Chapel.

These additions not only enhance our environment, but also deepen our spiritual and communal experience at Mercy High School. We look forward to enjoying these sacred treasures together. A special blessing ceremony is planned as part of the upcoming celebration for Mercy High School's 80th anniversary next fall.

Thank you, Sisters of Mercy!

Mary Reflection

By Mary Kate Becker
Director of Ministry & Catholic Identity



Inspired
By Faith

"And Mary treasured all these things and pondered them in her heart." Luke 2:19



Several months ago, I walked "across the pond" to take a look at the statue of Mary located on our grounds. The day was overcast, and the sky looked ominous as the wind rustled through the trees. I wondered if it was going to storm and if I should rush back to our Mercy school building instead.

As I walked, I began to reflect on the legacy of the Sisters of Mercy and how we stand on the shoulders of thousands of these holy women, including Catherine McAuley. Here at Mercy High School, we continue to benefit from the fruits of the Sisters' labor and the charism of mercy. In a world that so desperately needs peace and generosity, what a beautiful thing that the Sisters continue to give and sacrifice for young women like our students who walk our halls each day.

As I approached this gifted statue of Mary, I noticed its weathered surface, painted black to cover the worn bronze material underneath. All of this, along with the weather that day made the statue of Mary look very mysterious and perhaps even looming. I felt fearful. How often in my own faith life have I felt fear of the unknown - fear of the mysteries of life?

***Looking up at Mary's face,
I was struck by her expression.***

The sculptor, Joseph N. DeLauro made some fascinating creative and artistic choices. Mary's eyes are closed and with a unique facial expression. She isn't smiling nor is she frowning. She looks deep in thought. Almost as if she is pondering the weight of the world - all of human history's famine, war, violence, and pain. Quite frankly she looks like she is holding back tears.

Her hands are spread out almost in a solemn blessing over the world. There is even a sadness to her posture. It reminds me of one of my favorite verses in the Gospel of Luke. It's just one simple sentence, "And Mary treasured all these things and pondered them in her heart." (Luke 2:19)

It's such a small phrase in a powerful Gospel account. This verse comes after the birth narrative and after the shepherds traveled to meet the Christ child. I can only imagine how Mary must have felt in those early moments the night Jesus was born.

Did she know what was to come for her precious child, Jesus? Mary, the mother of Jesus, pondered the mystery of her Son and the suffering he would one day endure, in her heart. I would argue she must have intuitively understood but couldn't have known all the details. How could anyone imagine the horrors that she went through?

Mary understands what it's like to watch her child suffer. She has pondered it all. She continues to ponder and intercede for us when we too experience our own passion and crucifixion. She holds all human suffering in her heart.

I again had the opportunity to walk and visit our statue of Mary. Since I last saw her, many people have carefully restored the bronze. The statue has transformed. Our president, Dr. Cheryl Kreger, sent me a picture captioning it, "Our Lady of Peace."

I wholeheartedly agree with her interpretation. There is a newness to the quality of the statue. Again, a mystery. How could this be the same statue? Mary who bore all the darkness of the world can also hold light, rebirth, and hope that we so desperately need. The restored bronze seems to glow, encouraging me to ponder the mysteries of life.



It encourages me to really sit with the mystery of life. There are indeed dark and deeply painful Good Fridays. And, there are also Easter Sundays. In other words, Christ modeled for us the cycle of our life. Yes, we will experience pain, suffering, humiliation, and death. But, we will also bask in the light. We will experience friendship, compassion, liberation, and even joy.

In my work at Mercy High School I have the joy to walk and accompany young women in their faith journey. I see the face of our Blessed Mother Mary reflected in the faces of our Mercy students. Like the Sisters of Mercy, our students lead their lives compelled by mercy.

We pray that Mary, the Queen of all Saints and our school's patroness, continues to watch over and protect us in times of doubt, despair, and loneliness. My prayer is that our students know and love Jesus and his Blessed Mother Mary. That in times of pain and unrest they can pour their suffering into the loving hands of Our Lady of Peace. Because if anyone could understand what they are going through, it's her.

Our Lady of Peace, pray for us!

Making a Difference 365 Community Connection Fair

The Mercy Office of Mission & Ministry launched a new, unique approach to student service engagement through *Making a Difference 365 Community Connections Fair*, which brought non-profit organizations from across Metro Detroit to campus in October.



Students engaged with representatives, learned about each organization's mission and signed-up for volunteer opportunities. They also worked together in Adviser Groups to make cozy blankets for kids in hospitals with *Fleece & Thank You* and packed Clean Birth Kits for *Global Health Charities*.



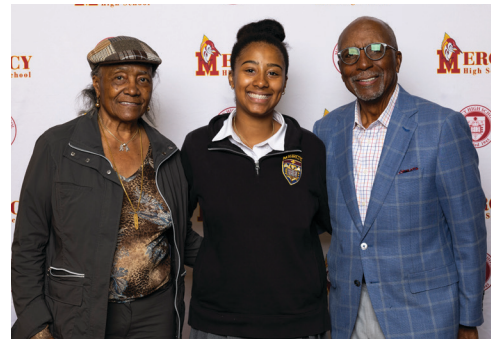
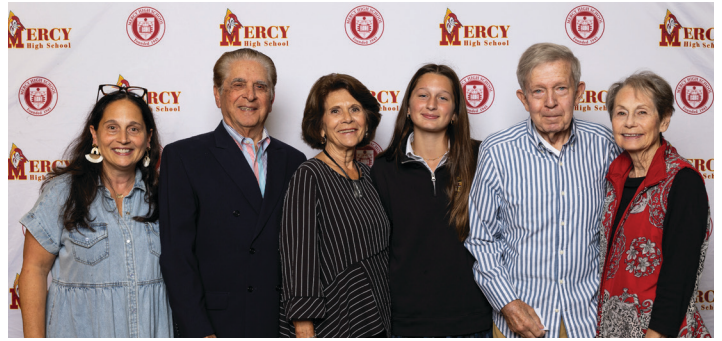
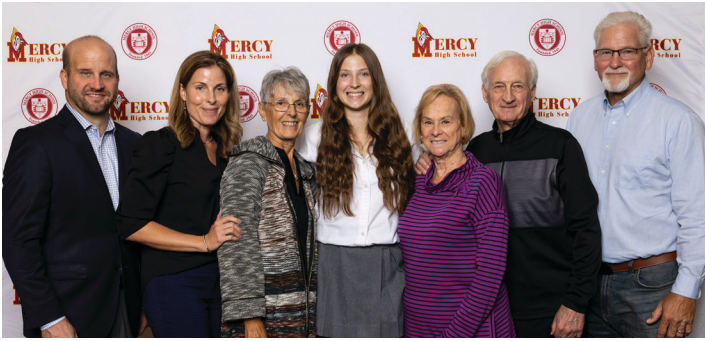
**A Voice For
Dignity and
Respect**

A heartfelt thank you to all the incredible organizations that participated, especially those with our Mercy Alumnae and Board of Trustees (BOT) actively involved or working alongside them.

Angels' Place (Karen MacDonald '85)
Another Way Pregnancy Center
Auntie Na's Village
CARES in Farmington Hills (Dorinda Brady Flannery '79 & Diana Brady Whitney '74)
Cass Community Social Services
Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan
Center for Exceptional Families, Corewell Health (Nancy Auffenberg, BOT)
Community Opportunity Center
Family of God Lutheran Church
Fleece & Thank You
Focus: HOPE Food Program
Forgotten Harvest
Friendship Circle
Gesu Jesuit Catholic School (Anita Sevier, BOT)

Gleaners Community Food Bank
Global Health Charities (Lee Albrecht Szuba '90)
Habitat for Humanity of Oakland County
In-House Hospice
Living and Learning Enrichment Center
Most Holy Trinity Catholic Academy
Northville Community Foundation/Maybury Farm
P.B.J Outreach, Inc.
Pope Francis Center
Saint Paul Lutheran Church
Sleep in Heavenly Peace
St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat Center
St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center
The Capuchin Soup Kitchen
The Lennon Pregnancy Center
The Salvation Army Farmington Hills Corps
Trinity Farms
Urban Neighborhood Initiatives
Vista Maria
Zaman International (Rebecca Burnett Journigan '92 & Monica Boomer '03)

A BEAUTIFUL MERCY DAY & GRANDPARENT MASS



Heart of Mercy

Congratulations to the 2024 Heart of Mercy Award recipients **Megan Windham '24** and Director of Mission & Catholic Identity **Mrs. Mary Kate Becker**.

"Megan lives out the Mercy values naturally in and out of school. She includes everyone, no matter who they are; she is an example of kindness and dedication to all. She is smiling and happy, radiating joy wherever she goes. She puts others' needs above her own and listens attentively."

"Mrs. Becker has inspired me to explore my faith due to her immense love for God and dedication to living the way that Jesus would live. She is an incredible leader. She has the purest heart. Mary Kate makes others feel loved and accepted."



Teacher of the Year



Bravo to our 2024 Mercy Teacher of the Year **Mrs. Shelley Bajorek**, Speech & Theatre!

Through Mrs. Bajorek's guidance, many students discover newly found courage and unlock their inner talents. From her intentional integration of our school's mission in her work, to her unwavering commitment to unity and

sisterhood - she fosters an environment of inclusivity and female empowerment, both within the classroom and on the stage.

"She encourages students to reach outside of their comfort zone, and provides the necessary support along the way. She has a passion for her work and instills that passion onto her students. Through her classes, she helps students find their inner talents, and builds their confidence to explore and take risks."

Sr. Emily George Award

Congratulations to Sr. Emily George Award recipient **Grace Eliya '24**! The Sr. Emily George Award is one of Mercy's most honored distinctions recognizing a senior who exhibits scholarship, spirituality, service, leadership, integrity and school involvement.



"Grace is a dedicated student who succeeds and works diligently. She cares for others and respects everyone around her, demonstrating love."



**Compelled
By Mercy**

2024 Michigan High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame

Congratulations to **Golf & Bowling Coach Vicky Kowalski** and **Swim Coach Mike Venos** who were inducted into the Michigan High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame on September 15th.



Vicky Kowalski has accrued sixty-seven seasons of coaching student athletes over forty-four years and counting. Coach K, as she is affectionately known, has made "an indelible impact on the school's athletic program and the lives of countless students," and has been recognized by her peers and community for her service and commitment. She was named Girls Golf Coach of the Year four times, the Catholic High School League Coach of the Year eighteen times, the Michigan Interscholastic Golf Coaches Association (MIGCA) Regional Coach of the Year six times, the MIGCA State Coach of the Year two times, and the National Girls Golf Coach of the year two times. Coach K was inducted into the Catholic High School Hall of Fame in 2007, the MIGCA Hall of Fame in 2009, the Michigan High School Interscholastic Bowling Coaches Hall of Fame in 2021, and the Mercy High School Athletic Hall of Fame in 2022.



COACH VICKY KOWALSKI
GOLF & BOWLING
2024 INDUCTEE

COACH MIKE VENOS
SWIM & DIVE
2024 INDUCTEE

Michael Venos' coaching career spans four decades and sixty-three seasons and is still actively coaching. Coach Venos has been honored many times for his coaching accomplishments and service to his sport. He was named the Oakland Press Coach of the Year three times, the Observer-Eccentric News Coach of the Year two times, the MISCA Zone Coach of the Year 2000, the MISCA State Coach of the Year four times, the National Federation of High School Coaches National Coach of the Year in 2017, and in 2016 he received the Matt Mann Award – Swimming Hall of Fame (MISCA's highest honor). Mike has also been inducted into the Catholic League Hall of Fame 2016, the Grand Blanc High School Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame 2019 and the Brother Rice Hall of Fame 2020.

CHSL Athletic Director of the Year

Mercy Athletic Director Brandon Malinowski was awarded the 2024 Catholic High School League Tom Kelly Athletic Director of the Year! He was honored for his accomplishments and received this prestigious award at the CHSL Hall of Fame event held in June.

"It is a great honor to join the list of past winners, including my mom and many others, who have been great mentors and friends. Thank you to all of those that have helped mold me into the AD I am today."



Catholic Educator Award



Director of Mission & Catholic Identity Mary Kate Becker received the Amazing Catholic Educators Award by the Catholic Foundation of Michigan. The Catholic Foundation's annual Amazing Catholic Educators Award recognizes teachers, specialists and principals within the Archdiocese of

Detroit (AOD) Catholic schools who are creating a school culture that is proudly Catholic, academically excellent, accessible to all, and sustainable for the future.

MACAC Gramenz Award

Congratulations to Mrs. Holly Markiecki-Bennetts who was awarded the Gramenz Award by the Michigan Association of College Counselors (MACAC)! The Gramenz is MACAC's highest recognition award and is bestowed for outstanding service to students, counseling, the overall profession, and the MACAC association.



Congratulations to these staff members who achieved milestones in dedication and service to Mercy High School!

25 YEARS

Carol Shea

20 YEARS

Kate Scalzi

Marlene Wojcik

15 YEARS

Cheryl Delaney

Kreger '66

Cindy Richter

10 YEARS

Andrea Thibodeau

Kowalyk '92

Brandi Lavelly

5 YEARS

Rebecca Cook

Nick Furiak

Adrianna Pfeffer

Horvath '07

Lisa Koss

Brandon Malinowski

Traci Smith

Adam Walker

College Board Recognition Program

Congratulations to the following students who received academic honors from the College Board National African American Recognition Program for their strong performance in school and on assessments, including PSAT/NMSQT®, PSAT™ 10, and AP® Exams.

College Board National African American Recognition Program



Priscilla Agyare '26

Haleigh Cameron '25

Skylar Clark '25

Bryce Costa '25

Mattison Green '26

Nyaela Hakim '25

Jasmine Joseph '26

Macey McDaniel '26

Peyton Robinson '26

Sophia Segars '26

Cadence

Washington '26

Congratulations to Camilla Mendoza '26 and Isabella Portillo '25 who received academic honors from the College Board National Hispanic Recognition Program for their strong performance in school and on assessments, including PSAT/NMSQT®, PSAT™ 10, and AP® Exams.

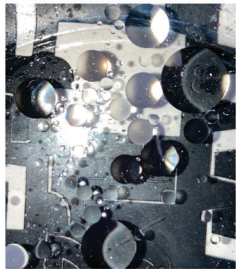
College Board National Hispanic Recognition Program



National Scholastic Art Award Winners

Congratulations 2024 National Scholastic Art Award Winners!

Haley Lipscomb '24 won a national gold medal for an ink drawing and Yuri Lewis '27 won two silver medals for two photographs.



Yuri Lewis '27 - National Silver Medal



Yuri Lewis '27 - National Silver Medal



Haley Lipscomb '24 - National Gold Medal

HOSA Medalists

We are incredibly proud of Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) State Medalists Abigail Bores '26, Ava Eliya '26, Chandravadana Koneru '26 and Camilla Mendoza '26 for their outstanding achievements at the HOSA International Leadership Conference in Houston, TX. These talented students made history by qualifying, competing and representing Mercy HS and the State of Michigan on an international stage. A special shout-out to Chandravadana Koneru '26 for her remarkable accomplishment of placing in the Top 10 worldwide for her Research Poster and earning a Silver Award at the Barbara James Service Award Recognition Event!



Mercy is first Michigan school to perform 'Disney's Frozen: The Broadway Musical'

A standing ovation to the talented performers and dedicated crew of "Frozen!" Your passion, hard work and creativity brought the magic of Arendelle to life on stage.



Mercy Education Leadership Conference



The Mercy Education Student Leadership Conference took place in June at the University of Detroit Mercy, bringing together 44 exceptional students from nine Mercy schools. We are incredibly grateful that our outstanding Mercy student leaders had the chance to engage in this enriching development experience to grow in their understanding of the mission of Mercy and Catherine McAuley. Special thank you to our extraordinary Mercy staff conference presenters Traci Smith and Eleasha Tarplin! Together, we are shaping the future with our shared commitment to Mercy Core Values and Critical Concerns.



Principled Leadership

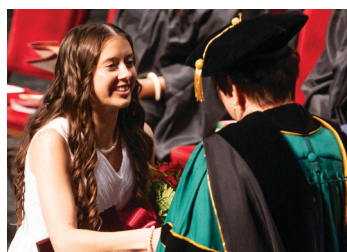
God Bless the young Mercy women in the Class of 2024!



Mercy High School Class of 2024



NOT PICTURED: Lola Water, Jialiang Zhang



Why is an all-girls' education beneficial?

STORY: MAURA MCSWEENEY, EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

With Women's History Month happening in March, it is a time to appreciate all the steps forward to encountering sexism in all facets of society. Whether it is in the workplace, in education, in leadership positions, or in sports, women have taken strides to continue to be global changemakers.

Attending an all-girls' high school comes with questions and commentary about what the benefits actually are to being in a same-sex environment. Is it beneficial? What does it offer compared to co educational environments? Well, at Mercy High School, there are clear pros to having the all girls' learning space. The school has taken steps to provide the advantages prospective and current students are looking to gain out of their high school experience. In fact, Mercy is a member of the International Coalition of Girls Schools, an organization aimed at strengthening women's education inside and outside the classroom across the globe. As the need to empower girls continues to grow, girls' schools are more relevant than ever before.

The International Coalition of Girls Schools outlines different ways all-girls schools around the world are impacting the lives of girls. From increasing interest, participation and confidence in the STEM fields to fostering the voices and leadership skills of young individuals, the sometimes overlooked benefits of the schools. This coalition focuses on research, networking, professional development and advocacy. With its network expanding from our very own community of Mercy High School to Australia and Afghanistan, there is no shortage of empowering women around the world who are looking to become change makers.

Mercy has taken and will continue to take steps to exemplify these values which it can be seen in many of Mercy's graduating classes who excel in leadership, scholarship, character, community involvement and confidence.

"I think going to an all-girls' school taught me how to be more confident in myself," Olivia Gray '23 said. "Being in a woman-dominated environment showed me what true confidence looks like and how we should not be afraid to take leadership roles in any form of environment."

The International Coalition of Girls Schools supports the claim that all-girls' schools "foster increased interest and confidence in STEM" by indicating that Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math fields are more dominant in all-girls' environments.

According to a study by Goodman Research Group, "girls' school graduates are six times more likely to consider majoring in math, science and technology compared to girls who attended coeducational schools."

One fact that cannot be overlooked is Mercy's commitment to expanding participation in STEM-related activities and classes. Each year, Mercy looks to expand its course offerings to keep up with the ever changing interests and needs of this

educational community, whether it is AP Psychology or AP Environmental Science in the past few years. It is apparent that these efforts have encouraged Mercy students to go into a variety of STEM fields when entering college.

Out of the 67 seniors surveyed in Mercy's graduating class of 2024, 65%, or 44 seniors, are planning to pursue a career in STEM or be a STEM major.

65%

OUT OF 67 GRADUATING MERCY

SENIORS PLAN ON ENTERING

STEM FIELDS (PER SURVEY)

Fostering young voices and encouraging girls to advocate for themselves is a central focus at Mercy and fellow all-girls schools as they can dominate the classroom rather than being intimidated by their male counterparts. Without fear of being judged, girls can take charge of their education by participating more in the classroom and asking questions.

"I prefer an all-girls' school because I think that not having as much male influence around me has made me a better advocate for myself," senior Morgan Sarafa said. "I'm more likely to ask questions or go to a teacher for help because, at least in middle school, I felt judged or didn't want it to seem like I was trying too hard."

Cultivating voices of young women doesn't just stop in the classroom as Mercy offers more than 50 clubs and other extracurricular activities outside of our superb athletic program. By having all of these activities, Mercy provides the opportunity for girls to further their education beyond the classroom by taking on leadership roles.

"[Attending an all-girls' school], especially Mercy, helped a lot with advocacy, not just by asking questions, but also getting other things that I wanted like leadership positions," Sarafa said. "I don't think that I would've run for or asked for different positions that I did if there were other influences. A lot of times, women try to tone themselves down or please other people, but when you're surrounded by women who are also advocating for themselves, you feel a lot more comfortable doing the same thing."

Mercy offers many young women a chance to thrive in a supportive environment where they can grow in leadership, academics and extracurricular activities in preparation for a college learning experience. An all-girls school is able to focus on enhancing education through cultural awareness, academic excellence, and community involvement.

A LEGACY OF ACHIEVEMENT



COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WHERE MERCY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS



Educational
Courage

Adrian College	Indiana University	United States Military Academy
Albion College	Jacksonville State University	West Point
Alma College	John Carroll University	University of Alabama
Aquinas College	John Jay College of Criminal Justice	University of Arizona
Arizona State University	SUNY	University of Central Florida
Ball State University	Kalamazoo College	University of Cincinnati
Boston College	Lawrence Technological University	University of Colorado Boulder
Bowling Green State University	Loyola University	University of Dayton
Brown University	Madonna University	University of Detroit Mercy
Bryn Mawr	Marquette University	University of Florida
Butler University	Marymount Manhattan	University of Kentucky
Calvin College	Miami University Ohio	University of Manchester
Central Michigan University	Michigan State University	University of Maryland
Chapman University	New York University	University of Miami
City University of New York	North Carolina A&T State University	University of Michigan
Clemson University	Northeastern University	University of Mount Union
College of Creative Studies	Northern Michigan University	University of Notre Dame
Columbia College Chicago	Northwood University	University of Pennsylvania
Concordia University Ann Arbor	Oakland University	University of Pittsburgh
Cornell University	Ohio State University	University of San Diego
DePaul University	Ohio University	University of South Carolina
Eastern Michigan University	Ohio Wesleyan University	University of Tennessee
Fashion Institute of Technology	Parsons School of Design	University of Toledo
Florida A&M	Pennsylvania State University	University of Washington
Fordham University	Purdue University	University of Wisconsin
Franklin University Switzerland	Rollins College	Valparaiso University
Georgetown University	Saint Louis University	Vassar College
Grand Valley State University	Saint Mary's College	Villanova University
Hampton University	Sarah Lawrence College	Washington University St. Louis
Harvard University	Savannah College of Art and Design	Wayne State University
Hillsdale College	Siena Heights University	Western Michigan University
Hofstra University	Tiffin University	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Hope College	United States Air Force Academy	Xavier University
Howard University		Yale

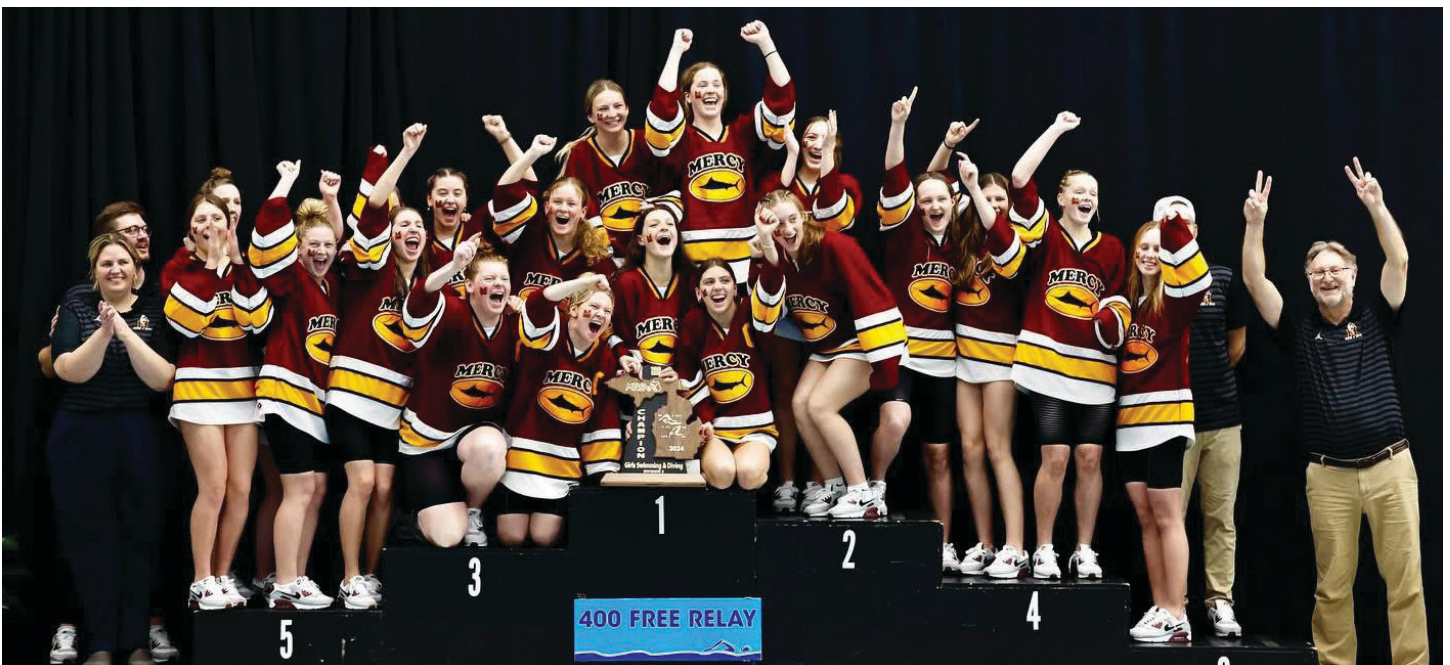
THREE-PEAT GOLF STATE CHAMPIONS

Mercy Golf won their third-straight MHSAA D2 girls state championship! The Marlins secured the state championship three-peat by five strokes with a team score of 677. The team was led by captain Maeve Casey '25, who finished fourth overall in the individual standings with a two-day total of 152. Captain Lila Polakowski '25 shot a 169, followed by Macey Mophew '25 with a 179, and Megan Guerrero '27, carding a 186. Ainsley Henderson '26 shot a 107 on Day 1. Emily Walker '25 stepped in on Day 2 to deliver a career-low 83.



BACK-TO-BACK SWIM & DIVE STATE CHAMPIONS

Mercy Swim & Dive won their second consecutive MHSAA Division II State Championship on November 23, 2024. Marlins had incredible depth dominating the competition winning by 120 points. Top placements include: Campbell Shore '27 took first in the 100-yard freestyle, Avery Tack '27 was second in the 200-yard individual medley and 100-yard butterfly. Ella Hafner '28 was second in both the 200 and 500-yard freestyle, Mackenzie Conway '25 was third in the 50-yard freestyle and Kathleen Schwab '25 was third in the 100-yard butterfly. Mercy won the 200-yard freestyle relay in 1:35.19 and the 400-yard freestyle relay 3:29.07 as well as placed second in the 200-yard medley relay in 1:46.32.

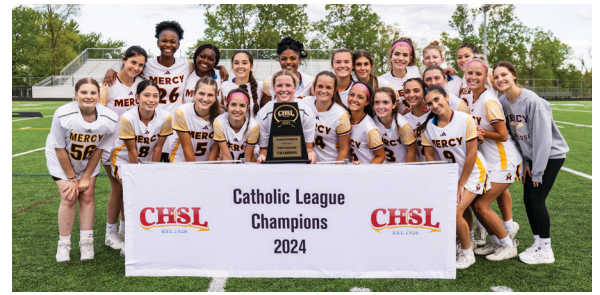


2024 MARLIN CHAMPIONSHIPS & AWARD HIGHLIGHTS

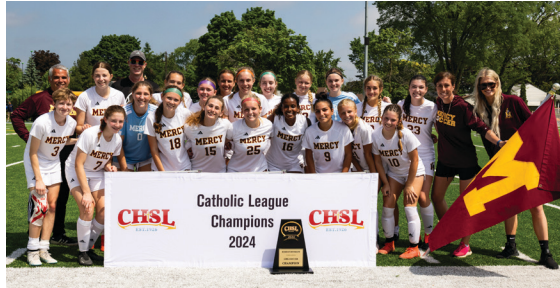
Dance - National Dance Semifinalist, Catholic League Champions



Lacrosse - MHSAA Regional Champions, State Semifinalist, Catholic League Champions



Soccer - Catholic League Champions



Softball - MHSAA State Semifinalist, Regional Champions, District Champions, Catholic League Champions



Tennis - Regional Champions, MHSAA 3rd Place State Championship, Gabby Owens Individual Singles State Champion



Volleyball - MHSAA District Champions, Catholic League Champions



Miss Volleyball Campbell Flynn '25

Campbell is one of the most accomplished volleyball players in the nation. She is the 2024 Michigan Miss Volleyball, 2025 Under Armour Next All-American, a U19 and U21 Team USA member and gold medalist, and received many additional accolades. She ended the season with an impressive stat sheet, including 730 assists, 188 digs, 131 kills, 36 aces, and 52 blocks helping lead the team to their first CHSL Championship since 2019 and their third consecutive District Championship.



TRACK & FIELD SETS SCHOOL RECORD

The 4x100 relay team of Taryn Henderson '25, Haley Lipscomb '24, Joie Blakey '24 and Skylar Clark '25 shattered Mercy's 4x100 school record with their 49.7 finish at the 2024 MHSAA Division 1 State Championship.



Track & Field scholar athlete Milena Chevallier '24 named the Catholic High School League Walt Bazylewicz Female Athlete of the Year

Milena also received the prestigious **Mercy Garn Griffin Athletic Award** and has broken the school record for high jump an impressive four times. She was crowned Oakland County High Jump Champion, MHSAA individual high jump champion, Catholic League high jump champion, two-time regional champion, 2023 Junior Olympic national champion and is a two-time AAU All-American, a New Balance Nationals All-American, and a three-time Nike National All-American.



Golf scholar athlete Abby Slankster '24 received the Nancy Malinowski Athletic Award

Abby is a shining example of what it means to be a well-rounded student-athlete. She embodies the spirit of sportsmanship, team leadership, team success, and academic excellence.



Elle Borys '24 honored with Tony Scalzi Spirit of a Marlin Award

Elle's unwavering presence at numerous athletic events, her eagerness to lend a helping hand and her genuine enthusiasm for supporting our athletes exemplify the values that Tony Scalzi held dear.



Congratulations Class of 2025 College Bound Athletes



- **Maeve Casey** (Ice Hockey)
Yale University
- **Jillian Collins** (Volleyball)
Hope College
- **Mackenzie Conway** (Lacrosse)
Brown University
- **Campbell Flynn** (Volleyball)
University of Nebraska
- **Meghan Kowalyk** (Softball)
Adrian College
- **Charlie Lambert** (Softball)
Central Michigan University
- **Jordan LeVasseur** (Soccer)
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- **Lila Polakowski** (Golf)
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- **Alison Smiley** (Lacrosse)
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- **Emily Walker** (Basketball)
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Mercy Wins 21-17 over St. Catherine in 2nd Annual Powderpuff Football Game



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2024 MERCY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

Congratulations to the following Mercy Marlin athletes and coaches who were inducted into Mercy High School's Athletic Hall of Fame on September 28, 2024.



Amy McCullough Grubbs

Mercy Class of 2001, High School and College Athlete

- Competed for U.S. National Team and Olympic Swimming Trials
- Swimming scholarship to University of Michigan, 6-time Big 10 Champion
- 5-time NCAA All-American, 3-time NCAA Academic All-American
- Held 7 Varsity records and 10 pool records at Mercy
- MHSAA State Champion in 200 freestyle, 500 freestyle, 400 freestyle relay, 200 medley relay



Candice Leatherwood

Mercy Class of 2014, High School and College Athlete and Coach

- Head Coach, Siena Heights University Women's Basketball
- Assistant Coach, Sacred Heart University Women's Basketball, NEC Champions, 2023 & 2024
- Liberty Women's Big South Champion Team, 2015
- MHSAA 1,000 career point scorer
- 2-time Catholic League Girls Basketball Champion, 2011 & 2014
- 3-time CHSL All-Catholic



Sara Larson

Mercy Class of 2004, High School and College Athlete

- Nationally-ranked NCAA Old Dominion Lacrosse Goalkeeper, 2007-2008
- Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association (IWLCA) Academic Honor-Roll, 2004-2008
- Member of 2004 Mercy State Champion Lacrosse Team
- Varsity Athlete and Captain in Volleyball, Hockey, Lacrosse



Tania Macioce

Mercy Class of 1992, High School and College Athlete, Mercy Coach

- Mercy Varsity Soccer Coach for over 13 years
- CHSL Varsity Soccer Head Coach of the Year, 2004
- University of Notre Dame Women's Soccer Team
- MHSAA District Champion and Regional Champion
- 2-time CHSL Champion
- CHSL All-League, All-Academic, All-Catholic Honors



Gary Servais

Varsity Cross Country and Track & Field Coach, 1987-2018

- Catholic League Coaches Hall of Fame Inductee, 2004
- 2 MHSAA Regional Track & Field Championships
- 11 CHSL Cross Country Championships
- 10 CHSL Track & Field Championships



1999 Golf Team

MHSAA State Champions

- Players: Gretchen Andersen-Watts, Erin Borowiec, Jennifer Borowiec, Sarah Cahill, Lindsey Densmore, Katherine Dinsmore, LaTanya Foster, Angela Harbar, Laura Hurches, Michelle Kelly, Maureen McDonald, Maureen McFawn, Heidi Wegmueller
- Coaches: Vicky Kowalski, Dan Horgan



MaryJane Valade

Mercy Class of 1997,
High School and
College Athlete



- 2007 Kalamazoo College Athletic Hall of Fame Inductee
- 2001 Outstanding Senior Athlete Award, Kalamazoo College
- 4-year Varsity letter winner, Kalamazoo College
- 4-time All-MIAA
- 2-time CHSL All-Catholic, 3-time MHSAA District Champion
- 2nd player in Mercy history to reach over 1000 points / 500 rebound

2001 Golf Team

MHSAA State Champions

- Players: Gretchen Anderson-Watts, Erin Borowiec, Joanna Bruttell, Christina Cibrario, Katie Dinsmore, Tiffany Graham, Maureen McFawn, Courtney Meyer, Krystal Oliver, Monica Pilzner, Lisa Rodriguez, Jackie Shinney, Samantha Talbot, Kim Warzyniec
- Coaches: Vicky Kowalski, Dan Horgan

Eileen O'Connell Yazzie

Mercy Class of 1995, High School
Athlete, Record-holder



- 7 Varsity Letters for Track & Field and Cross Country
- Cross Country 5K: All State - 2 years, All Region - 2 years, All County - 2 years, CHSL All Catholic - 3 years
- Track & Field: All State: 800M - 1 year, All Region: 800M - 2 years, 4 X 800 - 2 years, 4 X 400M - 1 year
- Track & Field: All-County and All-Catholic Honors
- Held Mercy record for 20 + years in 800M, Mile, 4 X 800M Relay, and 5K



Mercy High School was proud to present the 2024 Alumnae Awards at the 20th Annual Tea for Tuition held April 28, 2024.

2024 Distinguished Alumna Award NICOLE GOPOIAN WIRICK '99



Nicole Gopoian Wirick, JD, CFP®, founded Prosperity Wealth Strategies, a boutique independent wealth management and financial planning firm, in 2019. She holds a Juris Doctor, cum laude, from Wayne State University and a B.A. in Economics from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Nicole holds the CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ certification and serves as an exam mentor and member of Scholarship Review Panel.

Her insights have appeared in leading publications like CNBC, Bloomberg, AARP, Forbes, Fortune, Investment News, Newsweek, MarketWatch, and Yahoo Finance. She writes a quarterly column for TheStreet and develops content for FinStreamTV.

She was named an Exceptional Woman Leader by SEEN Magazine in 2023 and was proud to speak on the topic of financial empowerment for women and how to become the CFO of your own household.

Nicole is a former board member of the FPA of Michigan. Recognizing an absence of women-focused networking and programming, she revived the Women & Finance Knowledge Circle as a subgroup within the FPA and engaged record participation. Identifying the need to engage more professional women in the game of golf, Nicole created 'How to Survive a Golf Scramble' for Women in Finance, which was replicated in many markets nationally.

Nicole's practice focuses on philanthropic giving, and she speaks on efficient charitable strategies as part of the Planned Giving Roundtable of SE Michigan. She educates other giving professionals on more tax efficient ways to give to charity with the goal of fostering charitable giving within her community.

In 2021, she received an Honorable Mention in the Invest in Others Award for her work with the Alzheimer's Association of Greater Michigan, co-chairing the Spring Soirée with Neiman Marcus.

2024 Trailblazer Alumna Award ARIANA KABODIAN '11



Ariana Kabodian '11 excelled at tennis while at Mercy and played at the collegiate level. She earned a B.S. in Sustainable Business from Aquinas College and then an M.B.A. in Global Supply Chain Management and Entrepreneurship/Innovation from Wayne State University. While completing her M.B.A., she served as graduate president of Net Impact

which was dedicated to fostering learning about sustainability and climate change. Ariana was selected to present her graduate research titled "The Flaws of Straws: Greenwashing, Social Media, and The Straw Ban Movement" at Wayne State's Graduate Research Symposium.

Ariana is a Certified Sustainability Professional from the Global Reporting Initiative and currently represents UL Solutions as their ESG Reporting Specialist, focusing on data governance and management. Her background includes roles at a global sustainability firm and a media company, where she gained ESG experience.

In 2020, Ariana published "Forget Me Not: Armenian Genocide Recollections", a tribute to her ancestors' experiences during and after the Armenian genocide. The book sheds light on a moment of history that has been referred to as the "forgotten genocide". The book was honored as a 2021 Top Title by Schuler Books and is cataloged in the Library of Congress Armenian Historical Section, making Ariana the youngest Armenian American author to achieve this honor. Her story has been featured in The Detroit Free press and CBS Detroit.

Ariana credits Mercy for instilling in her a commitment to philanthropy and for inspiring her passion for writing. Guided by the meaning of "Debi Arach", which in English translates to "moving forward", she strives to make a positive contribution to society through integrity, kindness, and respect.

20th Annual Tea for Tuition Raises \$30K+

Each year, the Alumnae Association gathers for a springtime tea to ensure bright futures for Mercy girls by raising money for tuition assistance. It is our mission to pay a Mercy education forward and continue to educate Women Who Make a Difference. Thank you to the Mercy Alumnae Board, the Mercyairens, "Frozen The Broadway Musical" Cast, generous guests, faithful sponsors and donors.

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ACCENT ON ALUMNAE

Sr. Mary Lisa Renfer, RSM DO '06



Sr. Mary Lisa Renfer, RSM DO '06 is the recipient of the 2024-2025 Lumen Christi Award. This annual award is Catholic Extensions' highest honor given to people who radiate and reveal the light of Christ present in the communities where they serve. In addition to being a Sister of Mercy, Sr. Mary Lisa is also a doctor of osteopathic medicine and works as the Medical Director of St. Mary's Legacy Clinic in Knoxville, TN. Sr. Mary Lisa and her team of staff and volunteers provide primary care to improve the lives of the poor and medically uninsured driving an RV throughout Appalachia and bringing care to anyone who is in need. Driven by her faith and compassion, Sister Mary Lisa said the clinic's goal "is to bring the love of Christ to them so that they know they have dignity and that they have worth." Last year, the free clinic performed nearly 1,500 patient visits and covered 11,000 miles. They recently added a new clinic site, bringing the total number up to 10. A majority of the patients served are not Catholic. The Lumen Christi Award comes with a \$50,000 grant to the mobile clinic. Sr. Mary Lisa is a remarkable graduate of our school and brings Christ's love to all that she serves, truly making a difference.

Tiff Massey '00



Tiff Massey '00 opened her solo exhibition "7 Mile + Livernois," this past May at the Detroit Institute of Arts (DIA). Massey's work reimagines art's role in the community and offers a vibrant, inclusive view of Detroit. Her art invites us all to celebrate our collective identity, ancestral flyness, and beauty. She creates installations, public art, and wearable sculptures inspired by adornment. Trained as a metalsmith, Massey scales up her jewelry to the size of architecture, creating sculptures that celebrate Detroit's evolving neighborhoods and the history of West African and Black American culture and style. Massey merges her art practice with meaningful community engagement to explore the relationship between identity, public space, and community.

7 Mile + Livernois refers to the neighborhood at the heart of Detroit's Black business and fashion district. It is also where Massey grew up, and the site of a new art and community space she is building that blends her craft with her drive for community kinship. Our Mercy High School art students were able to enjoy an inspiring day at the DIA with a special opportunity to tour Massey's powerful exhibit which left a lasting impact on our students. What an unforgettable experience for all those able to attend!

Suzanne Law, DO '83



Suzanne Law, DO '83 presented to the Mercy Pre-Med Club about her career as a surgeon and her path to becoming a physician. Her insights and demonstration of surgical techniques, including how to properly scrub and put on sterile gown and gloves, were invaluable to our students who are interested in one day joining the medical field.

Allison Kriger, Esq '03, Jehan Crump-Gibson, Esq '01 & Hannah Juday '19



The Mercy Varsity Mock Trial team traveled to Chicago this past November to compete at the Empire World Championships. The competition included teams from across the United States as well as teams from Ireland, South Korea and the United Kingdom.

Our team of Mercy girls adjudicated both the Prosecution and Defense roles in a criminal case. To help our team of students, our amazing alum, including: **Allison Kriger, Esq '03, Jehan Crump-Gibson, Esq '01** and **Hannah Juday '19** helped prepare our litigators for Pretrial Oral Arguments.

Taylor Jones '15



Taylor Jones '15 averaged 25.2 points per game this past season and was named Player of the Year of Liga Nacional Femenina, a professional women's basketball league in Chile. She returned home to Michigan and hosted her 2nd annual girls basketball clinic at Mercy High School this past August. Jones taught the campers fundamentals but also told them

about her basketball journey, which includes playing at Oakland University and finishing eighth on the Grizzlies' all-time scoring list with 1,615 points as well as competing professionally in 14 different countries. Taylor emphasized, *"Everyone will have their own story. It's not always about going D-I. It's about playing wherever you get the best opportunity to play and get an education, and that's what is most important. You've just got to keep a hard work ethic because, with hard work, you can achieve anything."*

Cayla Stus '20



Cayla Stus '20 recently earned her BFA in Musical Theatre and a minor in Music from Oakland University and is now studying contemporary music and preparing for a tour abroad. She is a singer, songwriter, actor, director, music director, conductor, and dancer. Mercy's Performing Arts department had the pleasure of taking in a cabaret performance by Stus this past November. Cayla's original music can be found on Spotify or wherever you stream music.

Once a Mercy Girl, Always a Mercy Girl!

We had an incredible time celebrating our Alumnae Milestone Reunion 4's & 9's Classes on September 28, 2024. From joyful reconnections to sharing memories that span decades, the Mercy sisterhood is truly timeless!



We were blessed to honor **Jeanette Charette Chermiside** and **Patricia Flannery Flynn** from the **Class of 1949**.

Special congratulations to the Class of 1974 - winners of the 4's vs 9's Milestone Class Giving Challenge! We appreciate everyone who supported Tuition Assistance. Every gift helps strengthen our community and continues the legacy of excellence that defines Mercy High School.



MERCY B.A.S.E. BLACK ALUMNAE & FRIENDS REUNION

Mercy B.A.S.E. (Black Awareness Society for Education) celebrated our Black Alumnae at the first ever Alumnae & Friends special reunion event last May. We had an amazing group join us for food, fellowship and fun at Mercy. Special thanks to event leaders **Eleasha Mercer Tarplin '94** and **Arpna Dhake Hessler '90**.



SENIOR CLASS ALUMNAE BREAKFAST

The Senior Class of 2024 Alumnae Breakfast was a memorable morning filled with the cherished Mercy tradition and the bond of sisterhood. Heartfelt appreciation to our 35 remarkable alumnae who generously shared their invaluable college experiences and career insights.



JOIN THE CLASS OF 2025 & ALUMNAE BREAKFAST

You're invited to be a part of the Senior Class of 2025 Alumnae Breakfast on Friday, January 31, 2025 at 7:30 am.



This special event is an intimate networking experience for alumnae to personally meet and spend quality time with the Class of 2025. Our Seniors want to hear from you about your education, career, advice and life experience. Please email ggray@mhsmi.org to register and for more information.

COME HOME TO MERCY

The Mercy Alumnae Board warmly invites you back to Mercy for exciting upcoming 2025 events. Visit mhsmi.org/alumnae-events for more information.

January 11 - Mercy Mamas

January 31 - Senior Class Alumnae Breakfast

March 2 - Open House

March 14, 15 & 16 - Spring Musical

March 22 - Annual Auction, St John's Resort

April 13 - Tea for Tuition - Derby Theme

May 17 - Mercy Mamas

May 22 - Moving Up

If you'd like to learn more about the Alumnae Board activities and meetings, email ggray@mhsmi.org.

Join us at Tea for Tuition Derby Edition

The Tea is a tradition at the heart of our Mercy Mission. Please save the date for our 21st Annual Tea for Tuition, April 13, 2025 where we will host a Derby-inspired Race for the Roses celebration while supporting Tuition Assistance.



Mercy High School Alumnae Association 21st Annual

TEA FOR TUITION

SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025

CLASS REPS NEEDED

Are you interested in helping plan your class reunion? We are looking for Class Reps from the 0's and 5's classes when we come together next year to celebrate Mercy's 80th Anniversary! Please email alumnaeoffice@mhsmi.org or call 248-893-3535.

What's NEW With You?

We want to fill our next MOSAIC Magazine with even more exciting updates from YOU! Whether you've earned a new degree, started a new job, received an award, volunteered, moved, tied the knot, traveled, retired, or welcomed a new family member, we want to celebrate your news and accomplishments.

Please submit your updates at mhsmi.org/alumnae/update-info or email to alumnaeoffice@mhsmi.org. Photos welcome!



Alumnae Book Club

Share your love of literature and connect with other Mercy women by joining our Alumnae Book Club! We are always looking for new members and would love to have you join us. For more information, book selection and upcoming dates please contact alumbookclub@mhsmi.org.

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There are many impactful ways to support Mercy High School and empower the next generation of women leaders. Whether through a gift of stock, a planned bequest, an IRA charitable rollover, or a named endowment, your generosity helps sustain scholarships, enhance programs, and secure the school's future. **Every gift tells a story of faith, generosity, and commitment. We invite you to prayerfully consider creating a charitable plan that leaves a lasting legacy for Mercy.**



Virginia Minolli '82, Board of Trustees - Planned Gift

"About fifteen years ago, when a dear friend from the class of 1982 was in town, we decided to organize a mini-reunion at Mercy. We invited another classmate and took a campus tour with Administration and was lucky to connect with some of our teachers and coaches. It had

been at least ten years since the three of us were together and it was wonderful to reconnect where we shared so many fond memories. As we walked the halls, I was quickly reminded how truly blessed I had been to be given the gift of a Mercy Education. I felt the sense of sisterhood that was so important to me was still present in the current student body. I was also reminded of the dedicated and talented teachers that were instrumental in my academic and personal development.

Shortly after this visit, my father passed away and I began to think about how grateful I was for him giving me the opportunities provided by a Mercy education. I wanted to make sure others would have this same opportunity. I decided to include Mercy High School in my estate plan. The process was very simple and it felt so good to know I could help other young women experience the blessing of a Mercy education.

As a board member, I now have an even better understanding of the school's mission and their continued dedication to educating young women "who make a difference". As I walk the halls today, it sometimes feels as if time has stood still as images of my friends and I walking these same halls pass through my mind; in those moments I become even more convinced that my planned gift will help to make a difference in the lives of young women of future generations."



Rita & William Valade Sr. Endowed Fund

Rita and William (Bill) Valade Sr. were a faith-filled couple of modest means who valued Catholic education and

service. During their 62 years of marriage, they raised four children: William Valade (parent of MaryJane Valade '97 and Suzanne Valade Richardt '02), Patricia Valade Dalrick '69, Sr. Rita Valade '72, RSM and Maryann Valade Tyrchniewicz.

Mr. and Mrs. Valade did not attend college, but through hard work and judicious use of resources, sent their children to Catholic elementary and high schools. Rita and Bill role modeled a strong belief in teaching girls to do (at the time) traditionally male activities. Bill taught his daughters the mechanics and maintenance of automobiles while Rita developed computer software for grade school usage. She presented her improvement processes at conventions and forums statewide.

The Rita and William Valade Sr. Endowed Fund was established by their children in 2011 to support the education of young women at Mercy High School. Rita and Bill would be pleased to know that the scholarship, established in their names, is helping students whose family situation reflects financial need, values education, possesses a strong faith, and who wish to become "women who make a difference" in the world.

The scholarship continues to mature over these 13 years, as family and friends donate in honor of wedding anniversaries, holiday gifts, birthdays, memorials, commemorations, and other special occasions. Since 2011, several Mercy students have been able to graduate, having had financial assistance from this fund as it continues to "make a difference".



ENDOWED FUNDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Mercy endowments are planned funds designed to provide long-term financial stability and support for Mercy's mission, ensuring sustainability and growth for generations to come. An endowed fund or scholarship may be established with a minimum gift of \$25,000 and funded in a variety of ways: a single gift; a series of two gifts; or a planned gift from the estate of the donor.

Andrea Jackson Memorial Scholarship

Established in 2016 to honor Mercy alumna Andrea Jackson '96, this scholarship supports an arts-focused student with an effervescent personality.

Babicz Endowed Fund

The Babicz Endowed Fund was established in 2011 to support the education of young women at Mercy High School.

Buermeyer/Brankiewicz Scholarship

Established in 2001 by Cyril and June Buermeyer, this scholarship honors their Mercy alumnae daughter and granddaughter, supporting students who might otherwise be unable to attend Mercy.

Carolyn and Robert Witte Scholarship Fund

Established in 2018 to honor Carolyn Behringer Witte '67 and Bob Witte, this scholarship supports students needing modest financial assistance to make a Mercy education possible.

Catherine and George Wright Sr. Endowed Fund

Established in 2010, supports a Mercy student in need who values education, faith, and making a difference.

Catherine Repucci Memorial Fund

The Catherine Repucci '77 Memorial Fund, established in 1980, supports a compassionate junior with tuition for senior year, emphasizing joy, generosity, and active Mercy involvement.

Diana Jacokes Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established in 2017 by Paul Jacokes and children in memory of alumna Diana George Jacokes '67, this scholarship supports students who embody intelligence, kindness, humor, and generosity of spirit.

Elizabeth Scharret Memorial Scholarship

Established in memory of Elizabeth Scharret, Mercy class of 1985, this scholarship supports students with financial need, strong character, concern for others, and a commitment to physical fitness and respect.

Ethel Rayson Endowed Fund

Originally established at Mount Mercy Academy in Grand Rapids, this four-year scholarship, transferred to Mercy High School, supports a freshman in need, and is based on academics and character.

Falvo Family Fund

Continuing their parents' legacy, Michele Falvo Kendall '94 and Dana Falvo Haller '00 created a scholarship for a rising Mercy senior excelling in academics, leadership, service, and extracurriculars, with mentorship included.

FEMES for STEM Fund

Established in 2018, this fund supports Mercy's Science and Math departments by funding field trips, purchasing equipment, and enhancing STEM learning experiences beyond the regular budget.

Herbert and Dolores Delaney Memorial Scholarship

Established in 2018, the Herbert and Dolores Delaney Memorial Scholarship honors their commitment to Catholic education, supporting young women at Mercy High School as a legacy of their values and sacrifices.

Hermann Family Scholarship Fund

A scholarship awarded to a Mercy High School student in good academic standing and with financial need in memory of Margaret Demmer.

Jackie Michon Endowed Scholarship

Honoring Jackie '03, supports passionate, adventurous Mercy students who embrace life with an inclusive spirit like Jackie, providing scholarships in her name in perpetuity.

Jeanine M. Ellis Memorial Scholarship

Established in 2000, honors Jeanine Ellis '84, a practicing attorney who passed away from breast cancer at 33, celebrating her memory and legacy.

Juli Bartlett Memorial Scholarship

Established in 1994, the Juli Bartlett '90 Memorial Scholarship supports Mercy students with financial need, academic effort, college aspirations, and strong morals, funded by private donations in loving memory of Juli Bartlett.

Julie K. Horn Memorial Art Scholarship

Established in 1995, the Julie K. Horn Memorial Art Scholarship honors Julie's memory by supporting Mercy art students with financial need, creative talent, and aspirations for further education, keeping her spirit alive.

Lillian Theriault Kreger Scholarship

Created in 2018 to honor Lillian Theriault Kreger's dedication to education on the hundredth anniversary of her birth, this scholarship provides financial assistance to young women in need, enabling them to attend Mercy High School.

Lobbia Family Endowed Fund

Established in 2015, the Lobbia Family Endowed Scholarship provides financial aid to support Mercy High School students, reflecting John and Roberta Lobbia's strong belief in family, faith, and Catholic education.

Lynn Hall Endowed Fund

Established in 2012, the Lynn A. Hall (Calcaterra '73) Endowed Fund provides renewable financial aid to Mercy High School students maintaining a 2.8 GPA, supporting their education throughout their time at MHS.

Mary Farley Scholarship Fund

Established in 1998 in memory of Mary Farley, a Mercy counselor from 1965 to 1980, this scholarship honors her dedication to guiding, encouraging, and affirming students throughout their educational journey.

Maynard HOPE Scholarship Fund

Established in 2016 by Nadine Frazier Maynard '63 and her son Christopher, this scholarship supports a deserving young woman who embodies a love of learning, leadership, and service, fostering HOPE for the future.

Meg Mallon Scholarship Fund

Established in 2010, this fund provides scholarships to Mercy High School students facing unforeseen family circumstances, helping those with potential to continue their education, grow, and contribute positively to the school community.

Nancy Malinowski Endowed Fund for Athletics

Established in 2016, the Nancy Malinowski Endowed Fund supports Mercy High School's athletic programs, honoring Nancy Malinowski, the retired and celebrated Athletic Director.

Patrick and Barbara Hackett Scholarship

Established in 2010 to honor Patrick and Barbara Hackett, this scholarship supports a young woman in financial need who demonstrates leadership, compassion, and a commitment to Mercy High School's mission and values.

Polcyn Family Scholarship

Established in 2004, this scholarship honors Josephine Polcyn, who worked hard to send her daughters to Mercy as a single parent in the 1960s. It supports students with financial need and a 2.5+ GPA, with preference for Hispanic descent.

Rita and William Valade Sr. Endowed Fund

Established in 2011 by their children, the Rita & William Valade Sr. Endowed Fund supports a Mercy student in financial need who values education, strong faith, and aims to make a difference in the world.

Roseanne and William Reid Memorial Scholarship

The Reid family established the Roseanne C. Reid and William A. Reid Memorial Endowed Scholarship to honor Roseanne, a former Mercy teacher, and William, who valued education and philanthropy, supporting future Mercy students.

Sarin and Shepanek Family Scholarship

Established in 2017 to honor Sarin and Shepanek Mercy graduates: Lisa Shepanek Berken '76, Suzanne Sarin Shepanek '79, Anne Giroux Sarin '82, Lisabeth Sarin '86, and Catie Sarin '08. The scholarship will provide financial aid to a young woman who exemplifies the Mercy values and demonstrates financial need.

Sister of Mercy McAuley Center Scholarship Fund

Funded by retired Sisters of Mercy, supports Mercy High School students, reflecting the sisters' legacy of teaching and dedication to student success.

Sisters of Mercy Economic Diversity Fund

Established in 2002 with \$2 million by the Sisters of Mercy, this Endowment supports economic diversity at Mercy High School, reflecting the shared mission of Mercy and the Sisters.

Sr. Mary Camille Kelley, RSM Scholarship

Established in 2006 in honor of Sister Mary Camille Kelley '49, RSM, Mercy Principal from 1969-1978, this scholarship recognizes her dedication and supports students with financial need.

Sr. Mary Ignatius Denay Fund

Sr. Mary Ignatius Denay, RSM was a Sister of Mercy for 84 years. She began teaching art and religion at Mercy High School in 1949. She was skilled in calligraphy, woodcarving and mosaics, which still grace the walls of the school.

Sr. Mary Victorine Rapin Endowed Fund

Established in 2004, this fund honors Sr. Mary Victorine Rapin, RSM, a beloved teacher, principal, and leader who guided Mercy High School's growth and inspired young women with grace and dedication.

Sr. Regina Marie Doelker, RSM Scholarship

Established in 2010, this four-year scholarship honors Sr. Regina's 35 years of dedicated service as a student in the Class of 1956, math teacher, principal, and president, reflecting her deep love for Mercy High School.

The Beth and Laura Beson Scholarship Fund

Established in 2011, this fund provides scholarships to support Mercy High School Students.

Carioni Endowment

The Carioni family established this fund in memory of their daughters, Vanessa '86 and Lara '87, to provide financial assistance for a Mercy education in their honor after they lost their lives in a tragic traffic accident in 1985.

Wendy Wahl Denno Memorial Scholarship

Established in 2004 in memory of Wendy '93 by the Wahl/Denno family, this renewable four-year scholarship supports an incoming freshman with financial need, a 2.5 GPA, and active involvement in school activities.

START YOUR MERCY ENDOWMENT

We are humbled by the many individuals and families who have established endowed funds and scholarships. If you are interested in setting up an endowment, or learning more please contact the Advancement Office:
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2024 President's Award for Transformational Leadership NANCY AND JACK AUFFENBERG



Nancy Auffenberg, born in Dearborn and raised in Dearborn Heights, earned her Bachelor of Science from Western Michigan University and her Master's in Speech Pathology and Elementary Education from Eastern Michigan University. Jack Auffenberg, born and raised in St. Louis, attended Rockhurst College before moving to Michigan in 1975 to join his family's auto dealership. The two met in 1976 and married in 1980. They have three children: Christopher (UofD '02, Villanova '06), Elizabeth (Mercy '05, Rhode Island School of Design '09), and Caroline (Mercy '11, St. Joseph's University '16).

Nancy has been a dedicated Mercy volunteer since 2001, serving as Mother's Club president and joining the Board of Trustees in 2012. She has also served as Board Chair, and she currently chairs the Advancement Committee while contributing as a member of the Finance

Committee. Jack and Nancy's steadfast support of Mercy includes their roles as honorary chairs and co-chairs of the annual Auction, along with being key supporters of Principal's Pick. The Auffenbergs have graciously hosted numerous events benefiting Mercy at their historic Henry Ford home and other venues.

We are deeply grateful for Nancy and Jack's unwavering generosity, leadership, and transformational contributions to Mercy High School.

M HUB CENTER FOR CONNECTION & COLLABORATION

Principal's Pick brought in an astonishing \$200,000 at the 2024 Auction, which allowed us to renovate N-13 into a state-of-the-art academic hub, promoting innovation, excellence and college preparedness to connect our students with real-world experiences. We were overwhelmed by the support to transform the 1,500 square foot space into our new M HUB Center for Connection & Collaboration. Thanks to the wonderful generosity of our community, this once-outdated space is now a dynamic center for classes, meetings, events, and collaborative activities that inspire innovation and learning.



Renovation project highlights include:

- Two 98" Viewsonic 4K LCD display
- New sound system including speaker microphones
- New furniture with functional rotating chairs and tables with power stations for devices
- New LED lighting, ceiling, paint and carpet
- Adjustable height presenter podium with touch display screen for digital annotation
- Flexible speaker furniture to accommodate one presenter or a panel of professionals
- Two-way conference capabilities
- Upgraded heating and cooling systems

MAROON & GOLD RAFFLE

Congratulations to all of our students, families, staff, alumnae, volunteers and everyone in our Mercy community who supported the 2024 Maroon & Gold Raffle Family Fundraiser.

We are happy to report that together we were able to exceed our goal raising over \$175,000.

Shout out to our Top School Sellers:

- **Top Selling Senior** - Grace Pour
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- **Top Selling Sophomore** - Khloe Duneske
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- **3rd Place Student Winner** - Alex Androff '26
- **2nd Place Student Winner** - Hope Carmona '27
- **1st Place Top Student Winner** - Sarah Ragheb '28
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ANNUAL AUCTION CELEBRATING THE MERCY SPIRIT



Mercy High School's 45th Annual Auction, Celebrating the Mercy Spirit, was held on Saturday, February 24, 2024 to a sold out audience at the Saint John's Resort. We raised \$305,000 of which \$200,000 was designated for the Principal's Pick N-13 classroom renovation project to create the M HUB Center for Connection & Collaboration. We have immense gratitude for our community of generous donors, sponsors, and volunteers.

2024 HONORARY CHAIRS: Somersette Mack Black '01 & Michael Black, Rita Dilworth Lewry '77 & Thomas Lewry P '15, Kathryn Scallen Lee '95 & Tommy Lee P '25, Nicole & Craig Lorraine P '24, Kristina & Aaron Sikora '20.

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MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR MERCY GOLF OUTING

The 34th Annual Make a Difference for Mercy Golf Outing was held on Monday, September 16th at the Dearborn Country Club. Thank you to the golfers, volunteers, students, donors and sponsors who came together for a great event benefiting Mercy! Together, we raised close to \$40,000 to benefit tuition assistance and athletics.



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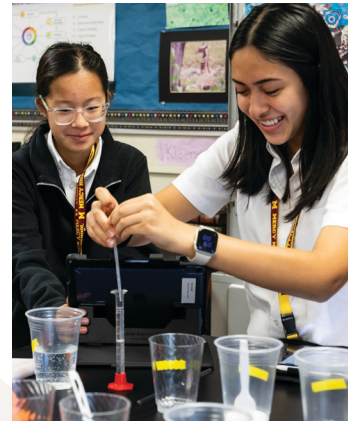
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Janna M. Goffer Chesser
Elizabeth Coleman Chierici
Mary Pat Hammell Conen
Catherine Dinan Dillon
Suzanne Harper Kaperzinski
Rita Dilworth Lewry
Katherine Stefanof Morris
Sharon E. Hurley Pfenning
Suzanne J. Robison
Maureen A. O'Donnell Stephan
Jane Esper Vogel
Joanne M. Albert Walle

1978

Dr. Margaret Bernhard
Jocelyn Gail Bush
Michele Calcagno Carmana
Bridget Boes Flanagan
Renee Marie Alair Hatfield
Jill C. Mitchell Johnson
Michele Kramer McNary
Julianne Meyer-Sorek and
Patrick Sorek
Colette and Christopher Rizik
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Etta Golinske West
Deanna Law Williams

1979

Hon. Megan Maher Brennan
Therese Brown
Mary Dillworth Clinthorne
Nora Carroll Hamill
Mary Harrington
Anne Nichols
Susan Kolon Rachlis
Chris Bego Sturm

1980

Theresa Maggioncald Anderson
Alice M. Schmitt Bimrose
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Marianne James
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Sonya Howcott Moore
Mary Anne Apap Napolitano
Dr. Rebecca M. Steele, DO
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Michelle A. Marion Wagner

1981

Anne Zitny Barrett
Lorraine Ann Kaminski Bock
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1982

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1983

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1987

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Luanne Thomas Ewald
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1988

Renea Najor Dalloo
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Tracy Inman Nagy
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Meghan Mariatt West

1989

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1. 1981	6. 2000
2. 1971	7. 1991
3. 1970	8. 1974
4. 1990	9. 1968
5. 1965	10. 1966



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1990
Stephanie Acho
Marjorie Mendoza Almeda
Jennifer Goff Barry
Sherilynn Johnson Crawley
Margaret Kronk Kromm
Heather Cahill Lowry
Shannon Fitzpatrick Mackeigan
Natalia Surowy McLaughlin
Anne Bonczak Nemer
Cheryl Law Sawicki
Karen Thiry Scheible
Kathleen McDonald Sevener
Ann Marie Simonelli
Janet Kelly Sneckenberger
Christine Aiello Sturgis
Jennifer Shallal Werner
Crystal Hunter Windham
Kelly A. Moore Wright

1991
Jennifer DeWard
Ann Marie Duwel Giese
Gina DeAgostino Gray
Nicole Shankie Ernst
Andrea Renee Styrna Hagelstein
Colleen Wright Kalmbach
Gail Murie LaFontaine
Maura Phenev Lamoreaux
Rebecca Ledy McDonald
Megan Stoneback Neumann
Julie Kronk Schokora
Charla A. Ewing Simon
Shelly Soenen
Stephanie Dickow Surowiec
Kari Zimmerer Wilson
Sheila Wisely-London

1992
Elizabeth Morelli Bambery
Abha Mangrulkar Dearing
Monica Orban Kulaga
Dr. Cara McDonagh, MD
Kathleen M. Stringer Paduchowski
Eileen Palad Ramos
Alicia Moten Roberts
Katherine Eshaki Wensink
Audrey White

1993
Dara Blake
Krista Miller Campau
Elizabeth Gatward Cooney
Lisa Sikorski Formosa
Lillian R. Godoy
Antonia Harbin-Lamb
Meghan Roselle Johnson
Dr. Kristina T. Kudelko, MD
Kelly Stirling McSweeney
Amy Meese Sovereign
Beth Ziobro

1994
Kathryn M. Balcer
Katherine Brady-Medley
Michele Falvo Kendall
Amy Freund McCrea
Barika Whitehead Pace
Dr. Anne Rashid
Deliah Hermis Sarafa
Michele Uller Slankster
Eleasha Mercer Tarplin
Jennifer Werner

1995
Elizabeth A. Chmielewski Breyer
Nancy Lowry Doyle
Carolyn Sanders Emery
Christine M. Haller LaPan
Kathryn Scallen Lee
Rejane Pierre

1996
Melissa Coletta
Suman Palakodeti Desaraju
Maureen Stirling Duncan
Lisa Merlo Greene
Jennifer D. Munfakh Shaw

1997
Carey Haller Connolly
Dr. Vanessa DeSousa
Shachi Mehandru Doshi
Sonia Jiddou Eliya
Lindsey Elton
Dr. Alison Kline-Kator
Alison Desmond Krumm
Amy Roselle Menzer
Jena Kluska Metropulos
Lynn Drewniak Prescott
Kimberly Vaughn Price
Alexa Rukstele

1998
Elizabeth Berlinghof
Chimere Love Carter
Laura Merritt Everett

1999
Shannon Haffey
Nadia Khoury, MD
Martha Obringer
Monica Osterberger
Nicole Gopoian Wirick

2000
Monica Jackson Alharazim
Lindsey Machacek Barile
Emily Butler
Danielle Dickow
Carol Flanigan
Alexandria Plair Floyd
Maureen Carolin Gumbel
Dana Falvo Haller
Julie James
Antoinette Mazzoni Kramar
J'aime Law
Kelly Moran
Dr. Katie Mason Summers
Lily Swan
Katie Windisch

2001
Joanna Bruttell Anderson
Somerset Mack Black
Jennifer McInerney

2002
Keara Donohue
Holly VanCleave

2003
Heidi Dueueke
Katy Mathieu
Meghan McInerney
Lisa Rodriguez Nazoyan
Megan Messana Page
Melissa Plorkowski
Margot Spera

2004
Emily Fishwick
Elizabeth Hoyt
Jennifer Wilson Silverman

2005
Elizabeth Auffenberg
Danielle Walker Henzie
Christina LaRosa
Jessica Stevenson
Jessica Williams

2006
Madison Groneck Kammann
Lauren Bennett Marquard
Anna Sklut
Lisa Storch

2007
Pageant Atterberry

2008
Helen Marie Berg
Elizabeth Hagemeyer Harris
Megan Flaherty Lynch
Katelyn McDowell
Sara Wagener
Clare Martin Waterstraat

2009
Bailey Ahmad
Alanna Bator
Bridget Hickey Heldrich
Karen Haubert Johnson
Victoria Lencione
Jennifer Long
Nicole Spencer Switzer

2010
Dr. Rachel Kurcz

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1. 1977	6. 1963
2. 1966	7. 2000
3. 1960	8. 1982
4. 1995	9. 1967
5. 1969	10. 1976

2011
Caroline Auffenberg
Jacqueline Link

2012
Susan Panetta Grabowski

2013
Margaret Blake
Victoria Noble

2014
Bridget Carlson
Teagan Dillon
Lindsay Hiser
Lauren Melanson

2015
Theresa Walle Klee

2016
Kristen Hiser
Calli Jansen
Lindsey Nash

2017
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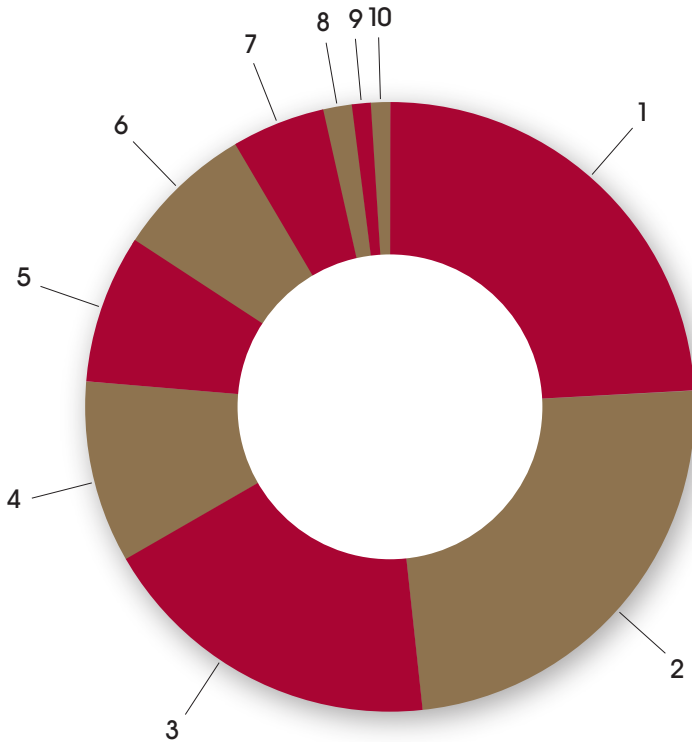
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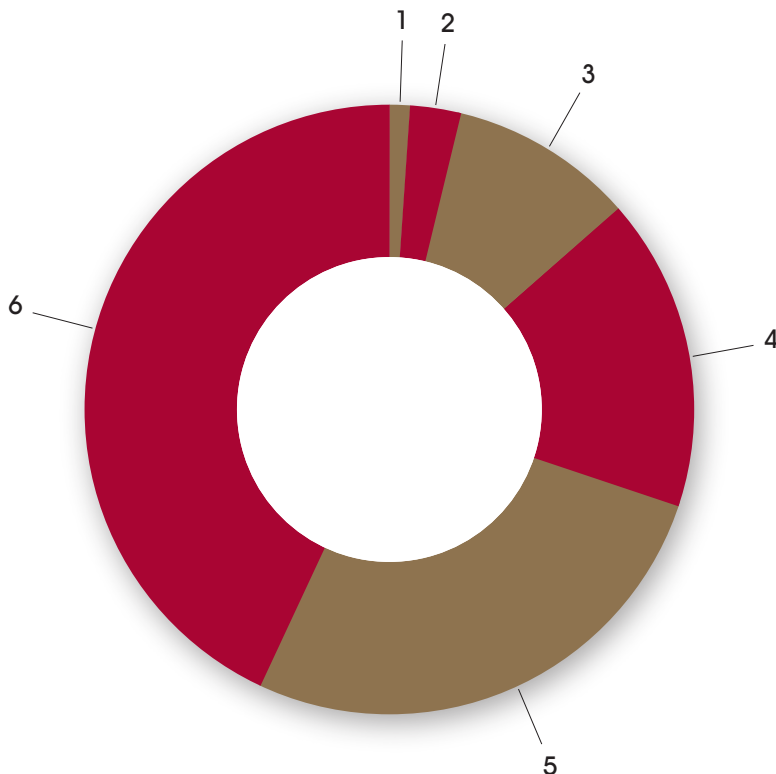
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ALUMNAE CLASS NOTES

1950s

Pat Horger McCormick '58 moved to independent living. Feel free to reach out at pndmc@sbcglobal.net.

1960s

Elena Wisniewski Hornshaw '69 of Springfield, IL met up with **Susan Cannizzaro Yates '69** of Mansfield, TX to reminisce about their days at Mercy.



Teresa "Tess" Schafer Sullivan '69
After 40+ years in West Bloomfield, Tess and her husband John, built their retirement house and moved to the Thumb Area of Michigan.



1970s



Paula Kowaleski Bowman '70 is currently serving as the Co-President of the League of Women Voters of

Michigan, whose mission is to empower voters and strengthen democracy. The LWV is a 104-year old pro-democracy organization that has 33 local chapters in Michigan. paulabowman9000@gmail.com

1960s - **Patricia Rublein Haldane '62** enjoyed her 80th birthday lunch with several classmates at Rocky's of Northville.



1970s - Members of Class of 1972 gathered to celebrate turning 70.
Front row: **Sister Rita Valade, RSM, Michele Nicola Kraska.**
Second row: **Pam Romanelli, Liz Riehl Dunklee, Theresa Coffey Skelton.**
Back row: **Paula Chermiside, Marybeth Dillon Butler, Colleen Ronayne, & Marguerite D'Auito-Haar.**



ALUMNAE CLASS NOTES

Sister Rita Valade, RSM '72 had a fun Fall weekend in Petoskey, MI with three other alumnae from the Class of 1972. They told stories, laughed, and shared their future dreams. Left to right: **Pam Romanelli, Sister Rita Valade, Paula Chermiside** and **Mary Schlachter Deacon**.



Barbara Pellegrini Allen '73 has been married since 1981. She moved to Massachusetts in 1989. Her husband is a retired software engineer and her daughter is a marine biologist living in Australia researching whales in Antarctica. barbarapallen@comcast.net

Sandy Dul Mily '74 is a co-owner of the restaurant Red Ryder in Plymouth, MI. The new lounge brings food, drinks and nostalgic vibe to Plymouth's Old Village. Mercy alum **Pat Delaney '68, Cheryl Delaney Kreger '66, Sandy Dul Mily '74,** and **Pam Delaney Carefelle '73** recently celebrated their birthdays at Red Ryder.

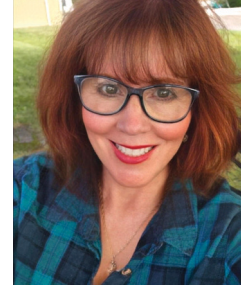


Mary Ann Hendrian Collins '74 retired from Pediatric nursing after 40 years at Beaumont Hospital. She is now a certified pickleball instructor and enjoys teaching and promoting the sport she loves. gd2226@comcast.net



Rosanne Coury '74

After years of parish work and teaching Theology, Rosanne is now a spiritual director, retreat master, and life coach. She continues to play various instruments and enjoys singing, especially with others. She has written many articles, served as the Spirituality Director for the publication *For Her Information*, and has collaborated on books. She also enjoys action research and writing. rosannecoury@gmail.com



Joni Strickfaden '74

says "*I am that I AM*". She describes herself in the following way: photographer, enterprising,

architect, single, fabulous, free, business owner, mother, in humble service to Divine Mother. She has found her heartfelt path, ACIM. She wishes everyone peace! strickfadenj@gmail.com

Barbara Scheuring Fritz '75 is a retired Manager & Principal Engineer, Medical Device R & D. bfritz060@gmail.com

Michelle Morgan Carson '76 plans and coordinates both social and athletic programs for physical and cognitive participants in the Clarkston and surrounding communities where she lives. michellemcarson19@gmail.com

1982 - A group of 1982 graduates have been celebrating their milestone birthdays together for years! Montepulciano, Italy, was the most recent setting for their 60th birthdays. Included left to right: **Maureen Haller** (Chicago, IL), **Diane Acho Schomer** (Birmingham, MI), **Phyllis Fodale Padmos** (Northville, MI), **Lisa Kluk Katkic** (Brighton, MI), **Adrienne Hampo Stella** (Loveland, OH) and **Peg Sugrue Mackie** (Oak Park, IL). Over 50 years of true friendship that has stood the test of time!



ALUMNAE CLASS NOTES

1980s

Beth Saunders '82 took 1st place overall female in her age group for the swim/cycle division in the San Diego Triathlon Series. She also competed internationally in a world swim event "Swim Baies des Anges" in Nice, France, a 1.2 mile open water swim in the Mediterranean Sea, taking 3rd in her age group. She continues to swim with the Masters swim team in San Diego, CA and owns her own swim company, Artisan Swim (artisanswim.org). She is a USMS swimmer, a USMS certified level one swim coach, certified SCUBA diver and swim coach for the Triathlon Club of San Diego. She volunteers at IronMan races and National Charity League. She is married with four daughters and currently resides in San Diego. She attributes her passion for swimming back to her years at Mercy High school where she had such an inspiring time on the Marlins swim team with wonderful teammates and a pool onsite.

Francesca Varsel '82 went on an Alaskan cruise in July 2024 and was pleasantly surprised to run into two Mercy alum from the Class of 1981. From left to right, **Lori Macdonald '81**, **Karen Galbraith Jackson '81**, and **Francesca Varsel '82**.



Mary Savage Campbell '84 is a Senior Manager, Corporate Training at the Linux Foundation in San Francisco.

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Carole Christie Cocagne '84 is a Veterinarian at the VCA Animal Hospital in Swartz Creek.

Monique Guest '84 is a Teacher at Detroit Public Schools.
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Laura Stribbell Horner '84 is a Regional Director at Gilead Sciences in Bloomfield Hills.
laurahorner906@gmail.com

Sarah O'Kray Milewski '84 is a Middle School Math Teacher at OCSB in Orlando, Florida.
sjmiles2@bellsouth.net



Rosemarie Binig Gondek '83 is a 37-year veteran teacher with expertise in curriculum K-5. She is a Teacher Trainer for Argument Driven Inquiry, Fish & Wildlife

Conservation Commission Curriculum - Project Wild and Growing Up Wild, Using Writing in the STEM/STEAM Lab, a Science Fair District Judge, a Science Olympiad Coach, and a nominee for the PAESMT. She was also a runner-up for teacher of the year 2024 at her elementary school in Marietta, GA. gondek@gmail.com



ALUMNAE CLASS NOTES



Theresa Whelan O'Brien '84 is a Chief Academic Officer at Livonia Public Schools. busytob@gmail.com

Ellen O'Leary Wachler '84 is the Owner of Shrimply the Best Boil in Charlevoix, MI. ellenwachler@yahoo.com

Luanne Thomas Ewald '87, M.H.A., FACHE was named one of Crain's Detroit Business 2024 Notable Leaders in Health Care. This recognition is a testament to the incredible work being done to improve the lives of women and children throughout our State and beyond. Luanne serves as Chief Operating Officer of C.S. Mott Children's Hospital and Von Voigtlander Women's Hospital University of Michigan Medicine.



Kelly Hemmerling '88 recently co-authored *Fast Track to a Five for AP Precalculus* published by National Geographic Cengage in October 2024. This exam prep book aims to support students in their preparation for the AP Precalculus exam. She had the opportunity to present and support the content of this book at the 2024 National Council of Teachers

1980s - Bridget Lee Stockton '84 is the owner of Pure Barre, Novi (Grand River & Novi Rd) which offers four different fitness formats that accommodate women of various fitness levels. Pure Barre has participated in the Mercy Senior All Night party for the past three years offering mini classes throughout the evening for the graduates. Pure Barre also hosted the Mercy Dance Team, Pom Squad and Cheer team for team building events. They are available to host private parties; birthday parties, team building events, graduation, bachelorette and wedding parties. Your first class is FREE. bstockton1@comcast.net



of Mathematics (NCTM) Annual Conference in Chicago. She is under contract to write *Fast Track to a Five for AP Calculus AB and BC*, with a release date in 2026. She continues to teach mathematics at Milford High School and is an endorsed College Board consultant for AP Precalculus and Calculus. She was also an early table leader at the 2024 reading of the AP Precalculus exam in Kansas City. hemmerling@gmail.com



Jennifer Cespino Ciccarelli '89 is a Senior Crew Chief/Paramedic at Beaufort County EMS

in Beaufort, South Carolina. Carolinajc84713@gmail.com

Amy Schaefer Gillis '89 has two great kids and a career she loves. After 25 years, she reconnected with her college sweetheart and is getting married in June of 2025. She said



she always reflects on her high school experience as a journey she is glad her parents chose for her!



Aimee Wilhelmi Giroux '89 is an HR Director at Insidesource in Portland, Oregon.

ALUMNAE CLASS NOTES

1990s

Jennifer Goff Barry '90 CFA, CFP® was promoted to the Chief Administrative Officer at Aaron Wealth Advisors in Chicago, IL. Working directly with the CEO and President, she plays a critical role in the overall performance and success of the firm. She is excited to join the C-suite and employ her expertise and strategic mindset to benefit the firm and the clients they serve.



Christine "Tina" Aiello Sturgis '90 has been named the first VP of Product Marketing at Mezmo, a startup tech company based in San Jose, CA that is the leading observability data platform. Mezmo was recently named to the 2024 Inc. 5000 list of fastest growing companies in the US. This is Tina's 5th high-tech software startup company in her 25 year career.

Annie Homeszyn Bussom '91 celebrated her 25th wedding anniversary on an Alaskan Cruise this year. Highlights of the trip included a helicopter ride over Juneau and walking on a Glacier!



Kathryn Dudley Szary '91 is part owner of The Ledger, downtown Plymouth's new upscale dining experience. They serve modern fare and craft cocktails with a focus on quality ingredients from local purveyors. Check out the menu at theledgerplymouth.com.



Erica Davis Choucroun '93 is currently living in North Potomac, MD. She celebrated her 50th birthday in Saugatuck, MI with Mercy friends **Nicole Mills '94**, **Marcella DeAgostino Rogers '93**, and **Carol Ann Dunning Del Bel '94**.



1999 - Madonna Emond Ladouceur '99 was honored as one of the DMC's Women in Medicine in September of 2024. DMC illustrated Dr. Ladouceur's role in enhancing patient care and clinical practices by assuming a system role within the Women's and Children's service line, contributing to DMC's involvement with the Michigan Alliance for Innovation on Maternal Health (AIM) across their three birthing hospitals. Under Madonna's leadership, DMC was the first healthcare system in Michigan to submit their application for The Joint Commission Maternal Levels of Care Verification. This initiative aims to reduce maternal morbidity and mortality by promoting the development and improvement of systems that standardize perinatal regionalization and ensure risk-appropriate maternal care. Her work with AIM on the executive leadership committee is striving to improve maternal outcomes across the state. dancemoe@yahoo.com

WOMEN IN MEDICINE MONTH



Madonna Ladouceur
Clinical Nurse Specialist

DMC
Huron Valley-Sinai
Hospital

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ALUMNAE CLASS NOTES

Cassie Orban Hrtanek '94 was appointed Chief Operating Officer of The Inland Real Estate Group, LLC, one of the nation's largest commercial real estate and finance groups. She joined Inland in 2005 as Assistant Counsel in the Inland Law Department after several years of private law firm practice. She most recently held the titles of Associate General Counsel and Senior Vice President.

Rebecca Fried '96 is a psychotherapist (LMSW) specializing in trauma therapy and EMDR in the Ann Arbor area. She is currently accepting new clients. Contact her at rfriedtherapy@icloud.com if you would like to know more.

Maja Obradovic Knezevic '98 made the trip from Serbia to Chicago, IL to visit her Mercy classmates, **Elizabeth Pillon '98** and **Milica Gvozdenovc '98**.



2000s

Jenna Cobb '00 joined the Michigan Law faculty as co-director of the Michigan Innocence Clinic, which fights for the release of men and women who have been wrongfully convicted in the criminal justice system.



Leah Yurasek Majkrzak '02 completed the final scores at the Grand Prix level needed to earn her Gold Medal from the United States Dressage Federation; only 2,037 people have received this award in the United States.



Jamie-Clare Flaherty '02 and husband Andrew, welcomed their first child, daughter Quinn this September.



Pageant Atterberry '07 is the owner of eight child care academy's based in Wayne county. They are curriculum based, and focus on spiritual development, detailed oriented learning, pushing independence, and encouraging the development of positive humans. They service children from six weeks to 12 years old. Nbccacademy.com



ALUMNAE CLASS NOTES

2000s continued

Jillian Bacon Mehra '09 is a Senior Neurophysiologist at Synapses in Novi, MI. jillianmehra@gmail.com

Emily Wilkins '09 was sworn in as the 117th President of the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. The Press Club is focused on supporting the journalism community and advocating for press freedom. She is a D.C. Correspondent for CNBC covering the intersection of policy, politics and business.



2015 - **Jacqueline Keeler Basch '15** married Nate Basch on May 24, 2024. From left to right: **Maria Kowalski Ross '83**, **Barb Dyszewski Withers '83**, **Mary Beth Gadwa Rowland '83**, **Sue Malone Nash '83**, **Kathy McMillan Saval '83**, **Anne Furlong Hill '83**, the bride, **Jackie Keeler Basch '15**, **Lisa Fitzpatrick Keeler '83**, **Ally Ferguson '15**, **Lori Leo Sokoll '81**, **Jenna Ajlouny '15**, **Kelly Jahnke '15**, **Joanne Hedberg Fitzpatrick '63** & **Sheila Esshaki '83**



2010s

Gabriela Santiago-Romero '10 won the Rising Star award from the University of Detroit Mercy college of Business Administration. This award recognizes Gaby as an exemplary leader who demonstrates professional success, outstanding contributions to society, and embodiment of Jesuit and Mercy values.



2017 - **Erin Pawlik '17** married Zachary Iverson on September 2, 2023 in Charleston, SC. Mercy Girls who attended included (left to right): **Emma Easson '17**, **Reena Jankowski '17**, **Sofia Swiecki '17**, **Edie Jones '17**, the bride, **Erin Pawlik '17**, **Samantha Kleedtke '17**, **Sarah Clark '17**, and the bride's sister and maid of honor, **Eileen Pawlik '14**.



ALUMNAE CLASS NOTES

Julie Wood Kehoe '12 and husband, Jamie Kehoe (De La Salle '09), welcomed their baby girl, Collins June, on May 29, 2024. Collins is the first grandchild of **Denise Giroux Wood '79**.



Paige Raymond Tiderington '12 recently married Ryan Tiderington (Catholic Central '12). Several of her bridesmaids were also from the Class of 2012. From left to right: **Julie Wood Kehoe**, **Meg Spenchan Page**, **Courtney Crowley Pomaville**, the bride, **Paige Raymond Tiderington**, **Ally Shrader Urso**, and **Jessica Cowper Pobur**. Not pictured but also present: **Taylor Raymond Mihaljevic '10** and **Barbara Valente Raymond '57**.



Chloe Henderson Sharp '13 graduated from Harvard Business School with a Master of Business Administration in the Class of 2024. She relocated from Boston to Detroit to work at Boston Consulting Group as a Consultant.



Candice Leatherwood '14 has been named as the new Women's Basketball Head Coach at Siena Heights.



Theresa Walle Klee '15 married Jacob Klee on July 27, 2024 at St. Mary Royal Oak. Her sister, **Mary Walle '09**, served as a bridesmaid, and her mom, **Joanne Albert Walle '77** was a proud mother of the bride!



Bridget Kenney Petrillo '17 and Ryan Petrillo were married in September 2023 at Sainte Anne's Catholic Church on Mackinac Island, Michigan. They live in Alpharetta, GA. kenneybridget5@gmail.com



ALUMNAE CLASS NOTES

2010s continued

Madeline Overla '18 graduated from her Masters of Social Work program this past May and received her certification to practice school social work. She currently works at the Academy of Warren charter school as a school social worker.

Alexia Pez '19 is so happy and proud to call herself a Mercy girl. She had the best four years at Mercy, loved her classes, teachers, friends, memories, and more. She attended the University of Tampa and graduated with a Bachelors in Advertising and Public Relations with Magna Cum Laude Honors. She is currently an E-Commerce Coordinator at True Botanicals. alexiapez@yahoo.com



Tori Schmitz '19 graduated from Michigan State University in 2023 with a major in Political Science and a minor in Law, Justice, and Public Policy. She now serves as the Constituent Services and District Manager for the 28th district in the office of the Senate Majority Leader at the Capitol in Lansing, MI. victoria.schmitz123@gmail.com



Riley Fields '23 is a newly enlisted member of the United States Army.



Sage Jonson '24 aimed to inspire young students, especially girls of color, about STEM-related fields for her Gold Award Girl Scout Project. She hosted an event at Paul Robeson Malcolm X Academy in Detroit engaging students in four experiments focusing on a blood model, heart replica, muscle demonstration, and the digestive system. She was recognized by Senator Veronica Klinefelt of the 11th District (Macomb & Wayne Counties) who extended an invitation to Sage and her family to visit the capital for a recognition of accomplishment on the Senate floor while they were in session.

2020s

Jillian "Jill" Smith '21 earned all-conference honors at the University of Michigan as a junior on their lacrosse team. She's also set the program's all-time goal scoring record, still with a season to go.



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We look forward to hearing from you!

In Memory

Mercy Alumnae

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February 2023

Mother of Michele Apt '76

Chandra Berger '92

April 2024

Jean Marie Brown '74

June 2024

Sister of Maryanne Brown Wherley '73
& the late Karen Brown-Hepp '80

Rosemary "Rosie" Callahan '76

January 2024

Sister of Nancy Callahan Vachon '67

Suzanne M. Junis Cusick '60

January 2024

Jacqueline "Jackie" Geisler

DeMascio '56

March 2023

Sister of the late Suzanne Geisler
Bailey '58, the late Denise Geisler
D'Agostino '61 & Margot Geisler
Pfaendtner '64; Mother of
Marcelyn DeMascio Titgemeyer '78,
Korin DeMascio '81 &
Rachel Demascio Upton '90

Helene Marie Janisse Despres '50

August 2024

Mary Duke '68

September 2023

Cynthia "Cyndy" Mary

Ferdinand '66

June 2024

Patricia Frazer '50

November 2023

Cousin of Muriel Hieronymus
Harrington '52

Patricia Golinske Fry '81

March 2024

Mother of Alison Fry '11 & Maura
Fry '11; Sister of Etta Golinske West '78

Linsey Lawton Garwacki '67

April 2024

Sister of Leslie Lawton Robinson '66

Gina Marie Guerreso-Olivo '96

July 2024

Colleen Kelly Jahn '50

January 2024

Sister of Sharon Kelly Dark '59;
Cousin of Kathy Kelly '75

Linda Jannuzzi Karolski '62

March 2024

Kathleen "Katie" Langan '04

June 2024

Daughter of Yvonne Regan Langan '82;
Sister of Shannon Langan '08 &
Meghan Langan '03; Cousin of
Riley Langan '16 & Kelly Langan '14;
Sister-in-law of the late Jennifer
Valvona Langan '91

Patricia Zaleski Lickman '55

April 2024

Grandmother of Mary Grace
Piotrowski '20

Anna Marie Petok Martin '60

August 2023

Sister of the late Christine Petok '71

Michele E. Martin '76

September 2024

Kathryn "Katie" Dekovich Mault '92

June 2024

Elaine Przybilski Maurie '60

May 2023

Cousin of the late Geraldine Sanford
'48, Irene Sanford Kangas '51, Ilene
Melford '57 & Janet Melford '59

Nancy Edwards Meier '49

August 2024

Mother of Dr. Ann Meier Carli '76 &
Mary Meier Grech '79

Jean Thieda Nelson '49

November 2023

Catherine O'Brien Padesky '63

November 2023

Sister of Maureen O'Brien Cataldo '65

Nancy Bolger Panella '53

January 2024

Sister of Barbara Bolger Bartz '49

Suzanne McCauley Rekuc '69

September 2024

Mariellen Ross Rybicki '62

April 2024

Mother-in-law of Roberta Kumm
Rybicki '86; Grandmother of
Alexa Rybicki '18 & Alison Rybicki '19

Mary Ann Kolb Skaja '58

September 2024

Mary Richer Smith '75

August 2024

Mother of Jessica M. Smith '05 &
Julianna Smith '10; Sister of
Jane E. Cheyne, '77, Judy Richer '76 &
Suzanne M. Richer '79

Margaret "Marge" L. Stack '60

October 2023

Mary Joan Sullivan '57

November 2023

Sister of the late Carol Sullivan
Hayes '55 & Nancy Sullivan Fox '61

Joan Miller Tomlinson '54

June 2024

In Memory

Mercy Alumnae

Caitlin Tracey '06

October 2024

Daughter of Dr. Monica Walch Tracey Ph.D '77; Sister of Carly Tracey '03; Niece of Marcia Walch Bawol '69 & Mary Walch Wisniewsk '74

Corinne Gerbig Victor '72

August 2024

Julie Reed Walton '82

April 2024

Mother of Lindsey Walton '21

Joan M. Carr Wisely '57

June 2024

Mother of Maryanne Wisely Foster '83, Sheila Wisely-London '91 & Kathleen Wisely Krolicki '80; Aunt of Barbara Meyer '78

Mercy Family

Marie Theresa Alkamano

September 2024

Daughter of Jennifer Denha Alkamano '91; Niece to Valerie Denha Yono '94 & Claudine Denha '97

Jeanne Bloch

February 2024

Mother of former Mercy staff member Cheryl Corte

Thomas J. Brown

July 2023

Father of former Mercy staff member Suzanne Brown '78; Brother of the late former Mercy staff member Sister Mary Timothy Brown, RSM

Susan Michelle Buskin

August 2024

Daughter of Carole Frederick Buskin '62

Robert "Bob" Cahill, Ph.D.

February 2024

Father of Heather Cahill Lowry '90, Patricia Cahill Terzian '94 & Sarah Cahill Wisniewski '99; Grandfather of Fiona Cahill '22 & Elise Cahill '24

Declan Carter

September 2024

Brother of Ainslie Carter '28

Gerrie Daley

February 2024

Mother of current Mercy Mercy staff member Dr. Kristine Daley; Grandmother of Laura Boesch '21 & Anna Boesch '23

Bhimashankar Dhake

December 2023

Father of current Mercy staff member Arpna Dhake Hessler '90 & Darshna Dhake '92

George Dudley

December 2023

Father of Kathryn Dudley Szary '91

James C. Emanuel

September 2024

Father of Cheryl Emanuel '98

Margaret Biddinger Endlein

December 2023

Sister of Joan Biddinger Cannon '71 & Beth Biddinger Keeney '77

Rosemary Etue

September 2024

Grandmother of Aubrey Etue '22, Addison Etue '24 & Arielle Etue '26

Caroline Falvo

May 2024

Grandmother of Michele Falvo Kendall '94 & Dana Falvo Haller '00

Anthony Farchione

December 2023

Grandfather of Gabriella Petrucci '18, Juliana Petrucci '20, Francesca Petrucci '22 & Sophia Petrucci '29

Debbie Fernandez

November 2024

Mother-in-law of Teresa DeAgostino Fernandez '99

Kristine Frogner

January 2024

Mother of Adrienne Frogner-Howell '98

Fredrick Edward Goettsche

September 2023

Husband of Catherine Modic-Goettsche '72

Marie Gundle

May 2023

Mother of Donna Gundle Krieg '77 & Deanne Gundle Orlando '78; Grandmother of Ellie Krieg '10

Maria G. Hoeflein

August 2024

Mother of Andrea Hoeflein Safranski '94

Donald Robert Jackson

June 2023

Husband of Margaret "Peggy" Williams Jackson '77; Father of Lauren Jackson '14; Father-in-law of Stephanie Cords Jackson '05

Steve Jahn

January 2024

Son of the late Colleen Kelly Jahn '50; Nephew of Sharon Kelly Dark '59

In Memory

Jo Ann Jamieson

March 2024
Mother of former Mercy staff member
Ann Jamieson

John W. Jensen

September 2024
Father of Julie Jensen '91

Kevin Delaney Kreger

June 2024
Son of current Mercy President,
Dr. Cheryl Delaney Kreger '66;
Husband of current Mercy staff
member Melissa Kreger; Father of
Tatiana Kreger '28

Suzanne Larabell

April 2024
Mother of Mary Beth Larabell Connolly
'86, Renee Larabell '91 & Denise
Larabell Edmund '97; Grandmother of
Cassidy Connolly '14

Domenico Mastrangelo

February 2024
Father of current Mercy staff
member Jo Ferrari; Grandfather of
Sofia Ferrari '24

John William McNish

June 2024
Son of the late Carol Bingham
McNish '60; Brother of
Christine McNish '82 & Suzanne
McNish Mocerri '88; Cousin of Nancy
Duda Shannon '76, Megan Shannon
Curoe '85 & Virginia Harte '94

Robert Nankee II

May 2023
Husband of Cindy Weber Nankee '73;
Father of Claire Nankee Jacobs '02;
Brother-in-law to Susan Weber
Thomas '75 & Lisa Weber Wojda '77

Joseph Paduchowski

December 2023
Son of Kathleen Stringer
Paduchowski '92

Joseph Petrosky

March 2024
Father of Julie Petrosky Brown '99

Terry Poucher

April 2024
Father of current Mercy staff member
Kelly Muscat

Virginia Hathaway Quezada

January 2024
Grandmother of Leah Duncan '93

GianCarlo Rosanigo

April 2024
Husband of current Board Member
Virgina Minolli '82

John "Jack" Sawtell

September 2024
Husband of Kathleen Kavanagh
Sawtell '67

Eileen Hoover Schafer

December 2023
Mother of Tess Schafer Sullivan '69

Clarence "Clancy" Scheffler

July 2024
Father of Erin Scheffler Franklin '93;
Grandfather to Nora Clare Bailey '21

Patricia Ann Stock

June 2024
Mother of Joan Stock Mansueti '77,
Mary Stock Wallace '81, & Amy Stock
Ranger '86; Grandmother of Patricia
Wallace '14 & Kara Wallace '16

Donald Stork

August 2024
Grandfather of Rosemary Stork '28

Helen Strong

October 2024
Mother-in-law of Hillary Williams
Strong '91

Yvonne Teevens

September 2024
Wife of the late former Mercy staff
member Larry Teevens; Mother of
Kathleen Teevens Barge '81 &
Paula Teevens Hered '85

Earl C. Thomas

June 2024
Father of Cindi Thomas Mosher '74

Michael Patalan Thompson

April 2023
Son of Irene Patalan '68

Stella M. Walker

September 2023
Mother of Wanda M.
Walker-Jansen '83

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Sunday, March 2, 2025

12:30pm-1:00pm Alumnae Legacy Tours
Chapel Entrance

1:00pm-3:00pm General Open House
Gymnasium/Auditorium Entrance

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