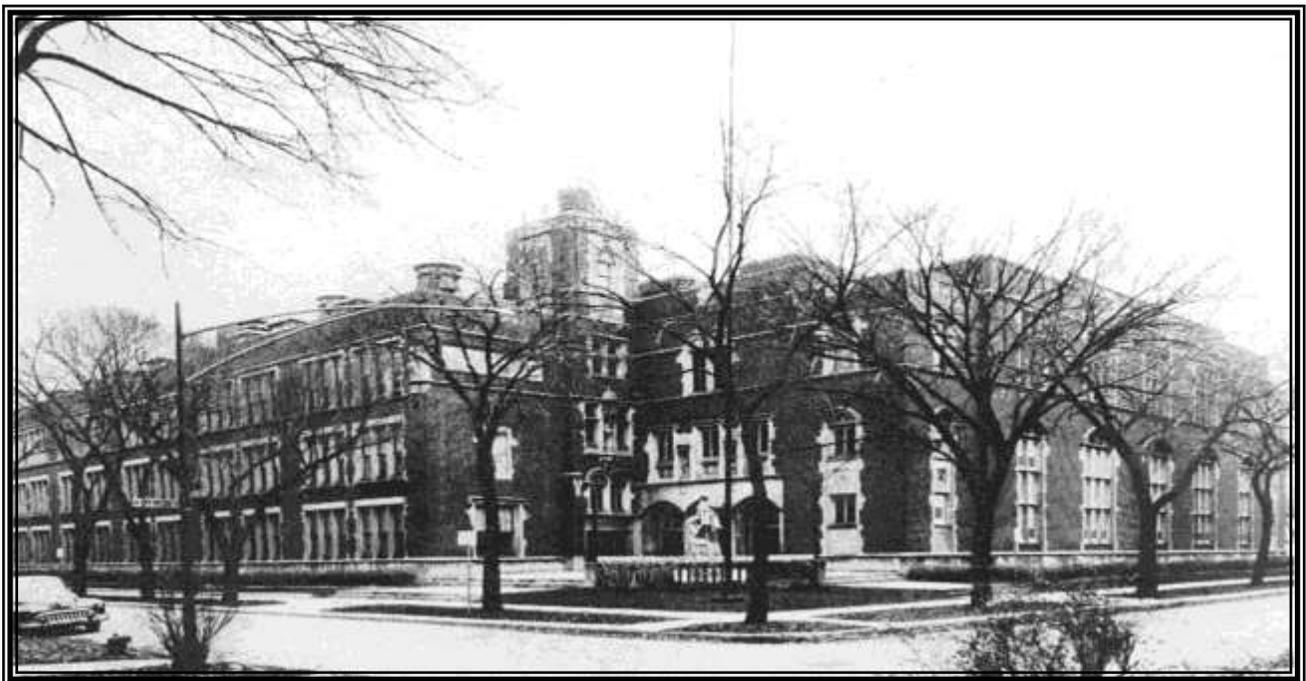


FALL 2019



"ALVERNIA ALIVE"



ALVERNIA HIGH SCHOOL  
1924-1989

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## Happy Birthday, Sister Kate! 90 years young!



### **Sister Kate's Remarks at the 2019 luncheon....**

One of **MY FAVORITE THINGS** is to be with you at your Annual Luncheon and to have the opportunity to speak to you in the name of our Franciscan Sisters and our cherished staff who so lovingly partner with us in the mission to which we are called.

It is so evident that you do not regard your giving as an obligation but as a desire to share in the love and care of Sisters who cared for you so long ago.

We are now 354 Sisters in the United States—282 of us are retired. Through your generosity this past year, we have been able to fund 75 new medical beds for our skilled and assisted care needs, purchase a new handicap van that has a winch to pull our Sisters in wheelchairs up the ramp into the van. Sisters can no longer help each other in this way.

Among our ever present needs is a New Call System to assist our Sisters when help is needed and Lift Chairs for our Sisters with memory challenges.

In the words of dear Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta, whom I had the privilege of meeting in Rome many years ago, "If we really love one another, we will not be able to avoid making sacrifices".

**HOW EVIDENT THIS IS IN YOUR LOVE AND CARE OF THE PAST 27 YEARS OF OUR RETIRED SISTERS IN MONETARY GIFTS ALONE—\$3,638,432.82.**

In a very special way, each of you light a fire in our hearts as we pray for you each day the blessing of St. Francis:

*May God bless you and keep you.*

*May the Holy One grant you mercy.*

*May the face of love shine on you,*

*And give you peace.*

### **IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution**

Congress has passed the law that allows Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD) directly to qualified charities permanently, each and every year! Under the QCD, you can elect to make a distribution directly from your IRA to the School Sisters of St. Francis, and no income taxes are due because we are a tax exempt charity.

Making a gift to the School Sisters of St. Francis through a QCD is as easy as contacting the custodian of your IRA account and requesting the Qualified Charitable Distribution. Your custodian will help you complete the simple transfer of funds. Please notify us as well.

For more detailed information please contact **Pamela L. Mueller, Director of Mission Advancement**, School Sisters of St. Francis, 1501 S. Layton Blvd. Milwaukee, WI 53215, **414-385-5338**, [pmueller@sssf.org](mailto:pmueller@sssf.org).

# ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS & FALL GATHERING

NOVEMBER 10, 2019  
3PM

**Our Lady, Mother of the Church**  
**8701 W. Lawrence Avenue**  
**Chicago, IL 60656**



It has been our long tradition to gather in the Fall to pray for our deceased alumnae, family and friends. We remember in a special way those alumnae and classmates who have died in the past year with the reading of their names. As the names are read those who wish are invited to light a candle in remembrance. Many friendships which began at Alvernia have endured over the years. It's a beautiful way to honor them.

Our guest presider will be **Father Britto Berchmans, Pastor of St. Paul of the Cross Church** in Park Ridge, IL. assisted by Deacon Sonny Annoreno.

Following the Mass we will move to Hayes Center for hospitality. All are invited to bring a favorite appetizer or dessert for everyone to enjoy. Food donations should be brought to the kitchen door on the north side parking lot. Look for the sign.

For those who wish to participate in any way, please contact **Mary Grimes '65** at **773-589-0275/ grimes.mary@att.net**. You can be a greeter, carry a decades candle in procession, Lector, Eucharistic Minister, help with set up, serving, clean up, raffle. We are also in need of alums to carry the bread and wine at the offertory.

The church is located at 8701 W. Lawrence Avenue, Chicago, IL 60656. Parking is convenient and there are no stairs. Family and friends are **very** welcome to attend. This Mass fulfills your Sunday Mass obligation.

Driving Directions: If traveling via I90 exit at Cumberland South and proceed on Cumberland to Lawrence. Turn right at Lawrence to 8701 W. Lawrence which is on the south side of the street at Oakview. Park in the north side parking lot.

We hope you will mark your calendar and plan to join us.

## SCHOOL SISTERS DONATION FORM

SSSF Ministries \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Retirement Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_ In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_  
Full Name \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Total Check Payable to *School Sisters of St. Francis*  
Mail to: *Alvernia Alumnae Association*  
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Full Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year \_\_\_\_\_

## MINI GIFT SHOP

In case you did not have a chance to visit the Gift Shop at the Luncheon, we will have some of the popular items available during the hospitality at the Memorial Mass. Pens, Crosses with chains, Note Cards and our new Tote Bags are some of the items we will have in limited quantities.

We will also have the SSSF Memorial Mass Cards. A donation is not made until you use the cards. Cards are also available for birthdays, anniversaries, and get well wishes.

**When notifying us of someone who is deceased, please provide maiden name, married name, class year and also same information for family members who attended Alvernia. Thank you!**

**Barbara Annoreno, oneronna@comcast.net**  
**847-577-6259**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR  
DECEASED.**

**ALUMNAE:**

Irene Hochstetter Barry '42  
Julia Groves Jacobs '47  
Catherine Pieroni LaPalermo '47  
Ruth Schroeder Thayer '47  
Mary Anne Collins Roche '48  
Geraldine Wolshan Fitzgerald '48  
Sister Margaret Ann Polk '48 (2015)  
Margaret Beilmann '49  
Patricia Thommes Clark '49  
Eunice Halaska Dekker '49  
Lorraine Pollowczyk Franke '49  
Joan Wersching Deppong '49  
Jeanine Kuczma Janis '49  
Sister Shirley Forbes '49  
Susanne Mansfield (Lenore Glotzbach) '49  
Mary Fennelly Nevera '49  
Sister Pauline (Alice Marie) Schutz '49  
Mary Ann Steppan Nimietz '49  
Shirley Usiak Brucki '50  
Beverly Baumeister Eden '51  
Patricia Bodkin Wallace '51  
Mary Louise Cunningham Jeuk '51  
Geraldine Denk Knapowski '51  
Barbara Musolf Vidal '51  
Joan Niemerg Annino '51  
Pauline Mary Reuskens Huebner Yannotti '51  
Rosemarie Kelly Mallers '54  
Patricia Doherty MacFarlan '54  
Carole Minta Perek '54  
Lorraine Pietryka Switalla '54  
Patricia Rumps Vizcarra '54  
Donna Rimmer Braunecker '55  
Joyce Cieslewicz Eneberg '55  
Mary McLaughlin Evans '55  
Eileen Gibbons McLaughlin '55  
Dolores Urban Ciucci '56  
Judith Tefo Hanna '56  
Kathleen Murphy Nitschke '56  
Rose Collins Schnoor '56  
Patricia Higgins McCann '56  
Patricia Newell '56  
Barbara Gable Roberson '57  
Mary Ann Egan Davisson '58  
Patricia Valant Holowaty '58  
Mary DeVlieger Nuzzo '58  
Theresa Duster Stephens '58  
Lorian Connell McGinty '59  
Barbara Galiga Henkel '59  
Patricia McMahon Hayes '59  
Eileen Hirschenberger George '60  
Michaelene Jendy Plier '60  
Kathleen Kopp Zaura '60  
Karen Williamson Holstein '61  
Delphine Denaer Lagodzinski '61  
Annette Langer '61  
Karyn Leffner Zygowicz '61  
Karen Oehler Devine '62  
Carol Cresta Infante '62  
Diane Dillon Starkey '62  
Karen Gielarowski Hansen '64  
Virginia Duggan Christiansen '65  
Kathleen Ferbos '66

Marlene Obholtz Ness '67  
Maryanne Blecha Bushell '68  
Pamela Bradley '69  
Monica Doerner '69 (2010)  
Mary Ann Kowachek Kubicki '69 (2017)  
Janet Wojtulewicz Filipowski '69 (2010)  
Barbara Pines Beckman '69  
Anneliese Schuster Mayer '69 (2015)  
Christine Lanzillo Pacilio '69  
Kathleen Wachs '69  
Ruth (Louise) Steinbrecher '79  
Barbara Krueger Duelfer '80

**HUSBAND OF**

Mary Jean Crowe Kleisner '50  
Ursula Liptrot Schnetzer '51  
Late Anna Mae Covganka Froelich '52  
Mary Alice Vogt George '53  
Mary Benz Minnis '56  
Marianne Sipek Cali '57  
Dorothy Pfrenger Lind '57  
Margaret Stubenrauch Kulis '58  
Late Patricia McMahon Hayes '59  
Jeanne Woerner Rumps '59  
Carol Svec Odonnell '61  
Late Karyn Leffner Zygowicz '61  
Valrie Lussem Doppke '63  
Late Angela Serritella Buscareno '63  
Patricia Gilman Paster '64  
Diane Anstett Breman '65  
Carolyn Wysocki Gralewski '66  
Joan Mercurio Sinnott '68

**MOTHER OF**

Cynthia Kiernicki Abbinanti '61  
Sena Cirese Drawer '62  
Christine Kiernicki Colin '66  
Verna Jean Scallon Tamkin '67  
Rita Laskowski Gulik '68  
Marcey Cirese Knepper '69  
Sharon Renkosiak Smoger '69  
Patti Cirese Peterson '73  
Taryn Nelmark Schultz '75  
Pamela Long Stieber '76

**MOTHER IN LAW OF**

Evelyne Cadet Aguirre Patterson '63  
Late Diane Kornayzer Cirese '65  
Peggy Riley Cirese '66

**FATHER OF**

Taryn Nelmark Schultz '75  
Judith Fisher Schipper '80  
Teresa Needham Petrie '81  
Barbara Fritzman Hillyard '83  
Tina Burnett Chruszczyk '89

**SISTER OF**

Late Jeanette Cieslewicz Brown '44  
Late Elizabeth Wersching Weiss '45  
Martha Reuskens Koziel Walkowicz '48  
Mary Therese Groves Foley '49  
Arlene Denk Bronthon '52  
Marian Wersching Hollerbach '53  
Late Mary Duggan Tarzon '54  
Sheila Duggan Dworak '56  
Late Mary Louise Cresta Novy '57

Joan Gielarowski DuBrock '60  
Joan Glotzbach Kuersten '61  
Diane Castronovo Daeumer '61  
Mary Ann Obholtz Malartsik '62  
Joanne Duggan Kilian '62  
Dolores Langer Jordan '63  
Maureen Kopp Oveson '63  
Carol Doerner Warnstedt '64  
Barbara Kowachek Mack '65  
Therese Wojtulewicz Lauro-Geruso '65  
Mary Ann Galiga Zmudzinski '65  
Cheryl Gielarowski Lange-Thomson '67  
Judity Wachs Stein '67  
Linda Cresta Crabtree '69  
Mary Jane Black-Hiller '71  
Candie Ramsey Scholtes '87

**SISTER IN LAW OF**

Edwina Morys Henkel '59  
Late Cynthia Walesa Galiga '59  
Doris Franklin '67

**BROTHER OF**

Dorothy Kozlowski Hagan '52  
Mary Kozlowski Sillert '53  
Frances Smyth Eraci '54  
Donna Bialon '65  
Donna Duncan Mirallegro '67  
Judy Evenson Kunkel '68  
Donna Bialon '75

**DAUGHTER OF**

Pat O'Brien Barath '49 (2000)  
Rita Pace Sevenich '55  
Marcia Scarbeck Montgomery '60

**SON OF**

Claire Zelenda Powers '50 (2)  
Mary Beth Barttels Norwood '66

**AUNT OF**

Karen Formanski Geary '66  
Janet Marie Lathan '71

**UNCLE OF**

Judy Skotzko '71

**NIECE OF**

Marge Clark Stancy '60 (2)

**NEPHEW OF**

Mary Zelenka '51 (2)

**FORMER FACULTY**

Pamela Bradley '69



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In Memory of **Sister Anita Bruschi '44**, a donation of \$100.00 by **Gloria Kaczmarek Bluj '44**

In Memory of my husband, **Ed George**, a donation of \$100.00 by **Mary Alice Vogt George '53**

In Memory of my husband, **Jack Myszka**, a donation of \$100.00 by **Marie Curcio Myszka '53**

In Honor of the **Class of 1954**, a donation of \$100.00 by **Mary Ellen Poland '54**

In Honor of the **Class of 1956**, a donation of \$25.00 by **Joanne Enright '56**

In Memory of my husband **Joseph V. Cali**, a donation of \$50.00 by **Marianne Sipek Cali '57**

In Memory of **Sister Maristella Wagner**, a donation of \$100.00 by **Csilla Szuets DePue '59**

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In Memory of **Marilyn Reminiec Lundquist '63**, a donation of \$400.00 by  
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In Honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of **Lorel (Loftus '65) & Tom Brunet**, a donation of \$50.00 by  
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In Honor of the **Class of 1969**, a donation of \$50.00 by **Marg Hahn Nielski '69**

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Alvernia Alumnae Association	22,000.00
<i>By the Following:</i>	680.00
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Marie Roach Cowhey '48	
Val Taylor '52	
Jeanette Sarat Shust '61	
Mary Lou Grimes Riddlebarger '63	
Alice Wozniak '65	
Kathleen Hintz '66	
Kathy Jackson Mandell '68	
Sharon Gruggiel Hajny '69	
Patricia Dillon Cole '72	
Teresita J. Diaz '80	



**Congratulations to the following SSSF Jubilarians  
who attended Alvernia High School.**

70 years—Sister Phyllis Franzen, Class of 1950  
60 years—Sister Bernadette Badsing, Class of 1958  
60 years—Sister Any Therese Kenealy, Class of 1958  
60 years—Sister Sharon Kubes, Class of 1958



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1501 S. Layton Blvd., Milwaukee, WI 53215-1924

**Pancake Breakfast & Fall Festival                      October 13, 2019**

**8:30-2:00 P.M.    9:00 Mass**

**For more detailed information—[www.sssf.org](http://www.sssf.org)**



Have you moved? Are you moving soon? Or, do you know an alumna who is not receiving our semi-annual newsletter and would like to? The Post Office does not forward bulk mail and sometimes we do not know that you have moved. And, if you have changed your phone or email, last name, please use the form below for those updates.

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JOIN THE ALVERNIA ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
AT DRURY LANE OAKBROOK THEATRE  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2019



LUNCH 11:30 A.M. PLAY 1:30 P.M.

TICKETS \$65.00 PER PERSON

We have a limited number of tickets available.

Deadline is October 30, 2019

Mary Poppins flies to the stage to deliver whimsy, excitement, and memorable songs to a story that will melt your heart. Nominated for seven Tony Awards and winner of the Olivier Award for Best Theatre Choreography, Mary Poppins is a must see for the entire family. Based on the Academy Award-winning film of the same name and the beloved children's books by P.L. Travers, Mary Poppins is an entertaining adventure of enchantment and fun.

RESERVATION FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide individual names and menu selection for each ticket reservation.

The very latest we can accept reservations (providing tickets are available) is 7 days before the performance. No exceptions. Tickets not sold by that time must be returned to the theatre so seating with the group is also not guaranteed. Table and theater seating is **pre-arranged**, indicate your preference on this form. In order to avoid disappointment, please reserve early. Reservation deadline is **October 30, 2019**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

SELECT CHOICE OF ENTRÉE

- Bistro Steak with Bordelaise Sauce
- Roast Turkey and Stuffing
- 8 Finger Cavatelli Creamy Mariana, Mozzarella, Parmesan (Vegetarian)

All entrees include salad, chef's selection of garden vegetables, potato or rice, fresh baked bread, dessert and choice of one beverage. **GLUTEN FREE ENTREES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST**

Mail this form with a check payable to **Alvernia Alumnae Association** to

Pat Kimberley, 3227 N. Oleander Ave, Chicago Il 60634. Any questions call Pat at 773-889-8985 or email [rkimberley@prodigy.net](mailto:rkimberley@prodigy.net). Confirmation and directions to the theatre will be sent 7 days prior to the event. Tickets will be presented to you during lunch.

**Alvernia Alumnae Association  
Financial Report  
August 1, 2018– July 31, 2019**



<b>Balance as of 8/1/2018</b>	<b>\$5,460.45</b>
<b>Receipts</b>	
Dues	\$15,690.00
Luncheon	\$25,825.00
Raffles	\$8,876.00
Prize Donations	\$3,845.00
Memorial Mass Donations	\$82.00
Theater Lunch 2018	\$3,016.00
Theater Lunch 2019	\$130.00
Alumnae Donations	\$660.00
Logo item sales	\$513.00
Miscellaneous income	\$679.42
SSSF Donations	\$8,130.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$67,446.42</b>

<b>Disbursements</b>	
Luncheon	\$12,829.08
Luncheon refunds	\$180.00
Luncheon prizes	\$5,323.84
Luncheon decorations	\$608.24
Misc. Luncheon	\$1,480.72
Postage and Presort Services	\$7,361.77
Memorial Mass	\$529.79
Theater Lunch 2018	\$2,548.41
Theater Lunch 2019	\$423.00
Prepaid 2019	\$1,371.87
Memorial and other gifts	\$275.00
Event Insurance	\$285.00
Office supplies	\$235.61
Miscellaneous expenses	\$661.14
SSSF Retirement Donation	\$22,000.00
Bank Charges	\$26.59
SSSF Retirement Donations	\$8,130.00
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>\$64,270.06</b>

**Balance as of July 31, 2019**      **\$8,836.81**

Forms for dues, the Spring Luncheon or Drury Lane can be found on our website at:  
[www.alverniaalumnae.org](http://www.alverniaalumnae.org)

Since 1992 Alvernia remains alive through the generous support of thousands of graduates. Our semi-annual issue of *Alvernia Alive* is mailed in Fall and Winter/Spring to over 6000 alumnae. Your generous support makes it possible for us to continue to support the School Sisters of St. Francis. This year, through your amazing generosity, we were able to donate \$22,000 to the Sisters' Retirement Fund.

Key Sources of Revenue are:

- Membership Dues
- Annual Spring Luncheon
- Individual Donations

The financial future continues to be challenged by rises in prices for postage and printing and sadly, a continued decline in total alums. It is the dues paid by the alumnae that offset these expenses.

This year's luncheon was attended by 439 attendees.

Plans are now underway for the 28<sup>nd</sup> Annual Luncheon to be held on April 26, 2020 at the Cotillion. Save the date!

In order to keep Alvernia Alive, we encourage all of you to continue sending in your dues and plan on supporting our other upcoming events:

Memorial Mass - November 10, 2019  
Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Theater/Lunch "Mary Poppins"  
November 20, 2019  
Drury Lane Oak Brook

May St. Francis bless you and keep you. Thank you all for your support and generosity.

*Pat Grimes, '69*  
Financial Director

*Thank You*

**Alvernia Alumnae Association 27th Annual Luncheon Prize Donors**

*Thank You*

42 Irene Hochstetter Barry  
46 Betty Arends Graf Crosson  
47 Dorothy Kleich Jacob  
49 Joan Wersching Deppong  
49 Priscilla Warner Dohrmann  
49 Mary Hartwick  
49 Margaret Severa Steinkuller  
50 Kathleen Duggan  
50 Patricia Kapp Geraghty  
50 Lorraine Wiedemann Handler  
50 Virginia Ernst Kaczynski  
50 Mary Schorsch Kenevan  
50 Marilyn Twitchell Pfaff  
50 Margaret Sheppard Tully  
51 Pat Dace Barilow  
51 Mary Rehak Kmet  
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53 Mary Alice Vogt George  
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55 Teresa Coutre  
55 Patricia Kubistal  
55 Elsa Maestranzi  
55 Kathleen Pater  
55 Susan Rehak  
55 Mary Dalton Uccello  
56 Rosemary Muhr Kraft  
56 Suzanne Zaber Sweeney  
56 Dolores Feit Urquhart  
57 Frances Noel Feldam  
57 Barbara Huspen Gaffke  
57 Jeanne Friedrichs Roller  
58 Carolyn Rice Kesick  
58 Kathleen Faloon Kinahan  
58 Beverley Bickel Ralph  
58 Theresa Duster Stephens  
59 Kathleen Faloon Kinahan  
59 Diana Liska Kost  
59 Anna Gottwald Riley  
59 Nancy Strumin Sugrue  
59 Diane Miller Weniger  
60 Caroline Noel Disch  
60 Rita Kouba Drake  
60 Brunhilde Kaempfer Henkel  
60 Carole Kauffman Lockhart  
60 Judith Reif Narowski  
60 Marge Clark Stancy  
61 Julie Smith Gopon  
61 Kitti Schaefers Miller  
61 Nancy Lauer Morrison  
61 Carol Bojaraski Novak  
61 Mary Heffernan Sieger  
61 Peggy Anderson Smykowski  
62 Nancy Nagel Coughlin  
62 Marcy Hammes Mueller  
62 Marjorie Salek Richards  
62 Susan Wisniewski Zurek  
63 Marianne Aiken  
63 Carol Kubistal Aiken  
63 Nancy Froehlich Dorfmeister  
63 Susan Szumny Stanislawski  
64 Bernadette Musial Gross  
64 Patricia Rzadzki Held  
64 Victoria Hojnacki  
64 Joanne Wydra Kalkirtz  
65 Andrea Zwierzyna Gagliani  
65 Judith Froehlich Klamut  
65 Joyce Paluch Koenig  
65 Maureen Gibb Kruse  
65 Barbara Schultz Schuman  
65 Mary Kipp Soly  
65 Janet Borghesi Starr  
65 Nancy Rychtarczyk Stasiak  
65 Judy Grzeskowiak Swietlik  
65 Susan Schneider Whiteaker  
65 Linda Reichert Woltersdorf  
66 Susan Schultz Batterham  
66 Patricia Berg Danbom  
66 Karen Formanski Geary  
66 Joanne Barbaria Johnson  
66 Marilyn Krenos Przywara  
66 Linda Pressel Ross  
66 Barbara Lobello Ruccia  
68 Diane Grillaert Borowczyk  
68 Elsie Ross Genova  
68 Mary Hojnacki  
68 Judy Evenson Kunkel  
68 Elizabeth Scott  
69 Peggy Heinrich Arvanites  
69 Nancy Sieracki Godfrey  
69 Sharon Grygiel Hajny  
69 Catherine LaBonte Holman  
69 Mary Kathleen Kacen  
69 Louise Kaczmarek  
69 Marlene Omura Krick  
69 Bonnie DeSio Mezzano  
69 Judith O'Keefe  
69 Marianne Rzadzki O'Neill  
69 Joyce Johnson Robinson  
70 Renee Kujawski Bauernfeind  
70 Mary Schmitt Peters  
71 Joanne Owens Leslie  
71 Eileen Lowery  
71 Eileen Laatsch Polep  
71 Cindy Wozny-Carl  
72 Vicki Kraft

73 Jeanne Cecchin Fec  
76 Patricia McElligott  
80 Andrea Jervier  
80 Ruth Martinez  
81 Mary Bieze  
81 Elizabeth Bigwood  
81 Julie Tobiaski Huston  
81 Silvia Kovacs-Langan  
81 Lori Keeney Perez  
90 Dawn Furlan Connolly  
Aimee Vasquez Simpson

Sincere apologies for any errors or omissions.

**Donors of Basket Items**

School Sisters of St. Francis  
Sister Rose Marie Peters  
Sister Agnesetta Steffensmeier  
Kathy Duggan '50  
Fran Novello Aiello '50  
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Barbara Voss Dowling '55  
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Cathy Biedron Eckart '60  
Pat Noesges Brooks '60  
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Mary Grimes '65  
Susan Mindak Ellinger '66  
Mary Lowery Warzynski '66  
Pat Grimes '69  
Maureen Learnahan Koziol '69  
Diane Ucha Lentine '71  
Eileen Lowery '71  
Beth Lock '79

Thanks also to all that donated baskets.



## UPCOMING REUNIONS



Class of 1945—75th Reunion— No information at this time.

Class of 1950—70th Reunion—*Celebrating at the Annual Luncheon, April 26, 2020,*  
Class Rep Kathy Duggan, 847-698-3564

Class of 1955—65th Reunion— *Celebrating at the Annual Luncheon, April 26, 2020.* See Page 12.  
Class Rep Pat Feeney Kimberley, 773-889-8985, rkimberley@prodigy.net

*Don't Miss Out!*

Class of 1960—60th Reunion—*Celebrating the weekend of April 25 & 26, 2020.* See Page 12.  
Class Reps Jane Wyzgoski Kunath, jkunath@wowway.com and Rita Kouba Drake, 773-286-1174,  
ritamdrake@icloud.com

Class of 1965—55th Reunion—No information at this time. From Vicki Granacki “*Watch for 55th Reunion Activities in 2020! We never stop!*”  
Class Rep Janet Borghesi Starr, 847-895-8129, jbstarr@wowway.com

Class of 1970—50th Reunion—No information at this time. Class Reps Vickie Kryglewski Palici,  
biggskid52@gmail.com and Sue McIntyre Tararo, sueLT23@aol.com

Class of 1975—45th Reunion—*Celebrating at the Annual Luncheon April 26, 2020.* See Page 12.  
Class Rep Kathy Bunce, 708-476-7590, kbunce@gmail.com

*Let's Celebrate!*

Class of 1980—40th Reunion—No information at this time. Class Rep Andrea Sullivan Jervier, 773-722-7735, jervier@sbcglobal.net

Class of 1985— 35th Reunion— No information at this time. Class Rep Barbara Mannion McDonagh, 773-281-8527, bgrmcd@comcast.net

### Reunion Class and Group Photography at the 2020 Luncheon



This year we will be working with **Tom Killoran Photography**. Panoramic reunion class photos ('40, '45, '50, '55, '60, '65, '70, '75, '80, '85) will be scheduled between 12:10 p.m.-12:50 p.m. Non-reunion class (the rest of the classes) or small group, i.e. BFFs, clubs, families, etc, photos will be scheduled between 1:10-1:30 p.m.

If your class or group would like to be scheduled for a photo at the luncheon, please contact **Eileen Lowery '71** at [eimouse@aol.com](mailto:eimouse@aol.com), 773-882-1637, or message her on Facebook.

The 8x10 panoramic reunion and “non-reunion” class photos can be purchased for \$20.00 **AND will be available at the luncheon.** The group photos will be 5x7 photos and will be priced at \$10.00 per copy. They will accept cash, check and charge for all payments. Watch for the Spring issue of *Alvernia Alive* for more detailed information.

Please contact Eileen with any questions.

## Class Reunions

### Class of 1955

We will again be collecting school supplies/monies at our Birthday Party on **Oct. 10, 2019 at 11:30 A.M.** at the **Park Ridge Country Club**. Contact Pat Kimberley for reservations.



Next year we will celebrate our **"65th reunion"** twice; first at the Luncheon in April and later at our Birthday Party in October.

Our **"Outstanding Class"** will challenge the **Class of '60** with better attendance at the luncheon. Remember our Class Motto is **"Nothing is Impossible for Those Who Love"** See you on **April 26, 2020**.

**Pat Feeney Kimberley, 773-889-8985/rkimberley@prodigy.net**

### Class of 1960

To celebrate the **60th** anniversary of the **Class of 1960** we are considering a "Taste of Chicago Style" dinner at a hotel close to The Cotillion Banquets on **Saturday, April 25**, preceded by a tour of our "old" Alvernia earlier in the day and possibly some famous Chicago landmarks. Since Sunday, **April 26th**, is the annual Alvernia luncheon, plan to attend both events to make it a special reunion weekend.

An email will be sent asking for feedback as to attendance for these events. In order to firm up plans, the committee has to be certain that we can cover the hotel's minimum requirements. Other reunion classes have really enjoyed making it a two day celebration with the Alvernia tour included. (Read the Class of 1969's review of their 50th reunion last year on pages 14 and 15.) **Please let us hear from YOU.**

**1960 Class Motto is "That I May Never Fail to Love"**

Please also note that the **Class of 1955 will compete with us for better attendance at the luncheon. Can we beat them in attendance?** Jane Wyzgoski Kunath, [jkunath@wowway.com](mailto:jkunath@wowway.com) and Rita Kouba Drake [ritamdrake@icloud.com](mailto:ritamdrake@icloud.com)

### Class of 1975

Where did the time go? Whether you believe it or not, next year will be **45** years since the **Class of 1975** graduated from Alvernia High School. Please join us in celebrating this milestone on **Sunday, April 26, 2020 at the 28th Annual Alumnae Luncheon held at the Cotillion Banquets in Palatine, IL.**

There is a separate Facebook group for "**Alvernia HS Class of '75**" and we invite you to join. There are a number of classmates for whom we do not have any information. A list of the missing is posted on our group's Facebook page. If you can help locate some of the missing and are not part of our class Facebook group, please send me a friend request (**Kathleen Bunce**) and I will add you to our group. **Class Rep Kathy Bunce, 708-476-7590, ktbunce@gmail.com**

#### 2020 Anniversary Classes Senior Plays

**Class of 1940—*Pomander Walk***  
**Class of 1945—*Song of Bernadette***

**Class of 1950—*Song of the Scaffold***  
**Class of 1955—*Life With Mother***

**Class of 1960—*Diary of Anne Frank***  
**Class of 1965—*A Murder Has Been Arranged***

**Class of 1970—*Up The Down Staircase***  
**Class of 1975—*Only An Orphan Girl***

**Class of 1980—*Bye Bye Birdie***  
**Class of 1985—*Blythe Spirit***

The following was our Grace, sung to the melody of ***Edelweiss***, at the 27th Annual Luncheon

#### **"My Favorite Things"**

Bless our friends, Bless our food,  
Come, Oh Lord, and sit with us.  
May our talk glow with peace  
May your blessings surround us.

Friendship and love may they bloom and grow  
Bloom and grow forever.

Bless our friends, Bless our food  
Come, Oh Lord, and sit with us.

## CLASS NEWS

### Class of 1951

Our group gets together on the 3rd Thursday of the month. Regular attendees are: Jackie Huening Gibbons, Arlene Jaworski McTague, Ann Kerrigan Tuohy, Nancy McCutcheon Grizzi, Dolores Sasenick Smagatz and Mary Zelenka. We have been doing this since our graduation!

### Class of 1961

Each year our classmates seem more like the best friends/family that we always look forward to seeing! No matter who sits where the laughter and stories don't end and the day passes much too quickly.

Attending this year were: Carol Leonard Bullis, Alanna Dore, Pat Weber Dziedzic, Carol Guligowski Glanz, Carol Schmidt Goeden, Julie Smith Gopon, Joan Glotzbach Kuersten, Maryellen Pickens McCants, Karen Dougherty Mocarski, Carol Bojarski Novak, Sharon Wapole Phillips, Kay Lesperance Schmidt, Donna Meilinger Schuh, Mary Heffernan Sieger, Peggy Anderson Smykowski.

We were so happy to have two full tables and we seemed like bees going back and forth to the hive making sure we didn't miss any part of the fun!

This was Carol Goeden's first luncheon and she was happy to finally make it. To top it all Carol won a beautiful king size quilt in the basket drawing. Donna felt guilty winning a raffle basket. Her winning ticket was one she had found on the floor. In trying to return it, the committee told her to keep it. Pat & Joan each won the table vase of flowers and Maryellen & Alanna won the Alvernia tote bag prize. Joan has recently become a grandmother to a beautiful granddaughter who happens to live in New York. Traveling to visit each other has dramatically increased. Carol Novak joined us from Ann Arbor, MI, and was having such a great time she was reluctant to leave early to catch her 6:30 flight home.

Alanna traveled from Ely, MN, and enjoyed seeing everyone; Mary and Julie came up from the Houston, TX area, and everyone enjoyed renewing old friendships with constant laughter and comradery we all experience each time we get together. Sharon and I didn't win anything but had a great day of sharing the fun and companionship of great friends.

Carol Bullis and Carol Glanz shared stories of their fabulous trip to China. Although Carol Bullis almost couldn't go due to losing her passport four days before departure. She worked a minor miracle with help from the Consulate and of course found her original passport when she returned!

Sister Karen Ramey sent a nice note to our class: "Hello Everyone, Sorry I can't be with you today. I am a nurse advocate here in Milwaukee and will be attending some of our sisters today in two different hospital sites. Hope your days are good and blessed with health, hope and harmony. Keep in touch if you can. Smiles, Sister Karen Ramey, 2735 W. Greenfield Ave., Apt. 2007, Milwaukee, WI, 53215, email karenramey12@yahoo.com." Sister Karen wanted so badly to be part of the day that she sent money for us to buy raffle tickets for her. We did, but sadly she did not win. Next time!

I want to thank Julie for her assistance with the notes and each of our fellow attendees for such a perfect day. The team of Alvernia volunteers/committee members and all those who spent many hours working to make the Luncheon happen deserve our heart-felt gratitude.

Mark your calendars now for next year's Alvernia Spring Luncheon on **April 26, 2020**, and don't forget our Fall Class of 1961 Lunch this year on **October 6, 2019!**  
**Class Rep Peggy Anderson Smykowski**



Standing L-R  
Peggy, Carol Groden, Joan, Karen, Carol Novak  
Sitting: Maryellen and Kay



Standing L-R Pat, Julie, Alana, Sharon, Donna  
Sitting: Carol Bullis, Carol Glanz, Mary

## Class News

### Class of 1963



On January 26, 2019 seven Classmates of '63 had a luncheon, for the **SIXTH** consecutive year, in Sarasota, Florida. We discovered a "Cluster" near Sarasota, have had lunch, and vowed to do this annually as we have a wonderful time.

This cluster group from the Alvernia Class of '63 lives, winters or vacations in Florida. We meet for lunch at Marina Jack Restaurant in Sarasota, Florida from 11:30 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. for lunch. We enjoy ourselves so much and plan to **SAVE THE DATE** each year on the last Saturday in January, same place, same time. If you plan to be near Sarasota on that date in 2020, contact Bettyann Giunta Hamilton at [bettyannhamilton@yahoo.com](mailto:bettyannhamilton@yahoo.com).

L—R Diane Lesperance Krajenta, Bettyann Giunta Hamilton, Marilyn Januchowski Neale, Jane Smessaert Murrell, Mary Beth Wasmund Johnson, Joanne Eannarino Melville and Pat Reminieć '59 (sister of the Late Marilyn Reminieć Lundquist.'63)

**Class of 1966** We need updated contact information (email, phone#, address) on the following classmates. Any help that you can give will be appreciated. **Susan Mindak Ellinger -[sellinger9@aol.com](mailto:sellinger9@aol.com).**

Bailey, Janet	Disch, Judy	Marlewski, Vickie	Samp, Francene
Baker, Cecelia	Dusz, Susan	Mazur, Chris	Samson, Cathy
Balla, Lorelei	Erhardt, Pat	McFadden, Norine	Schiavo, Carmella
Bates, Brbara	Fick, Fonnice	Miller, Mary	Schoenecker, Marilyn
Bertola, Christine	Gattuso, Madeline	Moran, Mary	Sieck, Mary
Bina, Eileen	Gayton, Nancy	Moynihan, Karen	Smolka, Madge
Bober, Diane	Gleeson, Ann	Norbert, Linnea	Smyth, Eileen
Bodmer, Donna	Gustilov, Pat	Olszewski, Marilou	Sobczewski, Sylvia
Brisland, Mary	Homan, Margret	Pajak, Carol	Stiel, Joanne
Brown, Marcy	Jackson, Mary	Pobat, Gerri	Szews, Barbara
Bujewski, Linda	Jaskula, Diane	Rekowski, Theresa	Timm, Karen
Cakuls, Mary	Kelly, Maureen	Render, Annette	Tumino, Kathy
Canelos, Mary Beth	Kempf, Barbara	Rieger, Nancy	Wadzinski, Eileen
Collins, Mary	Kennelly, Marie	Riley, Joan	Werner, Suzanne
Cwerenz, Joyce	Lewand, Alice	Roberts, Christine	Wisumkerski, Christine
Czoske, Pan	Maly, Carol	Robinson, Mry	Witom, Susan
Daukshis, Sharon	Mansfeldt, Linda	Rywelski, Mary	Wolski, Irene

### Class of 1969

**"Student years pass quickly"** and so did the weekend of the **50<sup>th</sup> reunion** for the **Class of 1969**.

We gathered Friday evening at the Arlington Heights Doubletree Hotel for an informal "meet and greet" to reunite with old friends and get reacquainted. We had 68 classmates from all over the country participating in the weekend. There was lots of laughter, lots of "remember when" and even a few joyful tears.

On Saturday morning we met in the lobby and boarded a bus which took us to 3900 N. Lawndale, **Disney II Magnet School** – formerly known as **Alvernia High School**. We were greeted by the principal, who spoke a few words and stated that they felt the spirit of St. Francis was still in the building and the assistant principal who led us on a guided tour of the school. We started in the Auditorium and there were many comments about how it looked the same as it did on graduation day – but much smaller than we remembered. The tour continued and we all seemed to take a step back in time, remembering Home EC, Glee Club, Biology, "my homeroom" and of course the lunch room which is still located in the basement. The one big surprise – now there were boys' bathrooms – how strange/foreign.

Following the tour of the school, we boarded the bus for a tour of the city. The bus drove through neighborhoods on the way to Wrigleyville, where we drove around the park and watched the workers put the final touches on the ballpark. We then drove down Lake Shore Drive heading for Millennium Park. We stopped at "The Bean" and took some pictures and had time for a Starbucks break before heading back to the hotel.

Saturday evening was our "formal reunion" – a dinner at the Hotel with a Taste of Chicago Buffet, complete with hot dogs, pizza, roast beef, Portillo's salad and an ice cream bar. We had tables of memorabilia, a memorial table for our departed sisters and a raffle to benefit the School Sisters of St. Francis. It was a magical evening – even more wonderful than the committee ever imagined.

The weekend culminated at the Alvernia Alumnae Association luncheon on Sunday. No one wanted it to end and there were more tears shed as we exchanged addresses, phone numbers and email addresses – with promises to stay in touch.

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For those who were unable to make it, we missed you and thought about you throughout the weekend. For those who were able to join us, thank you for making the weekend truly memorable and one that will long be remembered as some of the *"happiest days we knew."*

*Vicki Granacki '69*

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## SNIPPETS AND MORE.....

**Gloria Kaczmarek Bluj, '44, IL** "I'm of the Class of 1944—not many of us left. Retired after many decades of teaching in parish schools. I remember Sister Patricius' words—*Education never stops*. So for 5 years have been taking Mandarin Chinese lessons from a girl from Taiwan. Challenging! Will, also, try to take a Sign Language course soon!



**Mary Hartwick '49, IL** was the winner of \$25.00 for paying her Dues in 2019. Mary attended the luncheon and picked up her prize in person. It's been awhile since this has happened!

**Lois Klein Marchionne '51, OH,** "I do so enjoy receiving and reading *Alvernia Alive*. God bless all of you volunteers who keep this Association alive!"

**Joanne Hartzler Enright '56, GA,** "I was so excited to read the last issue of *Alvernia Alive*. In the past I've seen pictures of my classmates but over the years we tend to change. I've always tried to put a name on the faces but to no avail. However, this issue had NAMES!! I finally got to see how everyone has changed and I must say we look pretty good. Keep those names and faces coming."

**Marian Zedelmaier McGowan '60, IL** Wants everyone to know about the wonderful prayer cards that the SSSF have available. "It's a lovely way to keep them in mind all year and make donations to them. Like other charities, there are memorial cards for illness, death, thinking of you, birthday, etc. It's easy to keep a few on hand to use when the occasion arises. They are artfully and tastefully done." These cards are available at the Memorial Mass, Luncheon or by mail. Just contact Pam Mueller at PMueller@sssf.org. She will gladly send them to you to be available when needed. Donation is not sent in until used.

**Joanne Wydra Kalkirtz '64, IL** took a 'serging class' so that she could make the blue satin sashes for our greeters, Sister Kate and Sister Michael Mary, at the April 2019 luncheon. Joanne is the newest member of the Alvernia Board group.

**Cheryl Gielarowski Lange-Thomson '67, AZ** Recently experienced very serious surgery due to cerebral aneurysms in the artery of the brain. She wants all her dear Alvernia sisters, friends and family to know that because they were praying for her for days on end, she felt relaxed and comfortable going in to surgery. Cheryl wants to give a big THANK YOU to all those that have prayed for her during her medical scare. "God is good all of the time and I believe in the power of prayer. Grateful to be alive and blessed beyond belief."

**Marie Holbach Thomas '67, IL** "I was recently gifted with *Alvernia Alive* newsletters from 1995 to 2019:

- It was interesting finding out what happened to the Christopher Columbus statue.
- I loved the article about Miss Zahm. She was kind of an original.
- Likewise the article on Sister Vestina Nelles. I wrote a short story about her not too long ago and would be willing to share it if anyone was interested. (This story will be in the Winter-Spring issue of *Alvernia Alive*)
- I also found the "can you identify these sisters" photos great fun. What I was growing up in the Independence Park community, I worked as a camp counselor for several years at Independence Park and was sked to help out at "Nuns Day". This was one of the parks that had an indoor pool, softball field and the nuns had it to themselves for the day. They got a hot dog lunch and many walked over from Alvernia.
- I would love to know whatever happened to Miss Casey Krol. As a teacher she made the most difference in my life. I chose a college path, became a teacher and later got my MALS from Rosary College.
- Loved seeing the names of people I remember and knowing that they are alive. Missed my 50th reunion, so maybe I'll try for 60.
- And yes, I married my high school prom date!"

**Marie Holbach Thomas '67, IL** My cousin, the late **Margo Rose Kasow Sims, '68** was a year behind me at Alvernia. Her favorite class was German and **Sister Annella** her favorite teacher. Both Margo and I were in a work study program where we got .01 cent a minute to work at school. Our free time, study halls and lunch periods, were used to complete jobs. I got cafeteria work loading dishes and unloading them into the dishwasher. Margo worked after school vacuuming the auditorium. I think Alvernia got the best end of that deal. We also shared the great blizzard of '67. Margo worked as a clerk for the FBI after graduation from Alvernia. After marriage and children, she worked for United Airlines as a Pilot Crew Scheduler. Margo passed away in 2016 after a 7 year battle with Breast Cancer.

**Vicki Zickenheiner '73 IL,** Sends a "Thank You" for all that is done for the Alvernia Alumnae Association.



**Sister Kate and Sister Michael Mary** were our “welcomers” wearing blue satin sashes made by **Joanne Wydra Kalkirtz ‘64**.

**27TH ANNUAL ALUMNAE LUNCHEON**



Some of our Sisters traveled in this bus from Milwaukee!



**27th Annual Alvernia Alumnae Luncheon**

**Pot o Gold Winners, \$100.00 each**

- Joan Zaehler Entwistle '65
- Sue Janusz '68
- Marianne Aiken '63
- Sharon Wesol. Carr '64
- Eileen Moore-Oleksy '71

*My Favorite Things*



*Hail Alvernia!*



**Class of 1974**



**Class of 1954**





Mary Agnes Coyne '58  
Niece, Beth Lock '79



Beverley Bickel Ralph '58  
won the prize donated by  
Beth Lock '79



Carolyn Caramusa, Carole Flynn, Sister Amy Kenealy,  
Sister Sharon Kubes, Beverley Bickel Ralph  
Class of 1958



**Platinum Prize #1**  
\$500.00 Gift Card, Grand Geneva  
**Carol Quagiano Van Durme, Faculty**



**Platinum Prize #2**  
Cloisonne Enamel  
Made By Sister Lucinda Hubing  
**Alberta Matulis '60**



**Platinum Prize #3**  
Quilt made By Maureen  
Learnahan Koziol '69  
**Carol Schmidt Goeden'61**



**Platinum Prize #4**  
Vizio 40" HDTV  
**Maureen Maloney Dzugan '72**



**Platinum Prize #5**  
\$150.00 Gift Card, Vera Bradley  
Tote, Weekend Luggage  
**Patricia Durkin George '73**



**Raffle Prize Display at the  
2019 Luncheon**

• A reminder that family and friends are always welcome to attend our annual luncheons!

• So do invite a close friend, or family member, daughter, granddaughter, great granddaughter or niece!

• All are welcome to share the warmth of the Alvernia Spirit! 18

• During daily Mass, the celebrant usually gave the congregation the opportunity to offer petitions. There were the usual petitions for the sick, for service members overseas and the like.

• Finally, a woman stood and said, "My grandson got his driver's license yesterday. Let us pray for us all."

**Class of 1979**



Save the date

28th  
Annual Alvernia  
Alumnae  
Luncheon

April 26, 2020

**Class of 1959**



**Class of 1969**



Class of 1964



Thanks to all those who assist the day of the luncheon.



Class of 1965



In our path to glory,  
The best will be our aim.  
So let us sing of Alvernia,  
To her be due acclaim.

And let her glory e'er  
Unbounded be  
Steadfast her integrity.  
Let us our whole life through

Hail Alvernia, grand and true!

(3rd verse of **Hail Alvernia**)

**Prayer used at Alvernia Ring Ceremony, October 2, 1959**

We accept this ring as a symbol of what **ALVERNIA** means. We have been shown the way to live in love, the way to make our living worship, the way to find our **JOY IN TRUTH**.

This band is a reminder of our love which must be as unceasing, as unending as the love of the **TRINITY**.

And Francis whose crest is pressed onto this stone, help us to set the direction our lives must take.

May we have the courage to extend the hands of **CHRIST** and **FRANCIS** out to the whole world.

**From the January 1960 Insight:**

The Senior Class patron of 1959-60 is **St. Peter**. He was just a simple fisherman when Christ called him "to come follow Me." During the three years' companionship with Christ, he was at times angry, loving, and disbelieving. After receiving the Holy Spirit on Pentecost, Peter was on his way to sanctity. We are on our way to sanctity, too. Peter was the close friend of Christ, formed by Him for the leadership of the Church. The seniors, through the imitation of Peter, want to become forceful members of this Church.

This year we are leaders of the school. We are potential leaders of our country. We aim to be leaders of the Church. We will "come, follow" Christ by following the example of Peter.

## LUNCHEON REFLECTIONS AND MORE.....

“My Favorite Things” is now a wonderful memory of voices singing our Grace to the melody of *Edelweiss* led by the beautiful voices of Sister Kate Brenner and Sister Bernadette Luecker ‘55; of Sister Kate and Sister Michael Mary welcoming all wearing “blue satin sashes” made by our newest board member **Joanne Wydra Kalkirta ‘64**. The vases decorated with favorite things held beautiful silk flowers. **Cathy Biedron Eckart ‘60** is to be thanked for her endless hours cutting and pasting with the help of **Eileen Lowery ‘71 and Mary Grimes ‘65**. Many hours are spent designing and creating our beautiful decorations each year. Our volunteers wore name tags also created by Cathy, and she also makes the beautiful bows attached to our prizes.

We were fortunate to have the nephews of **Eileen Lowery ‘71 and Mary Ann Rosso ‘55** assist in loading and unloading the raffle prizes the day of the luncheon. This year one even brought his mother to help! **Pat Feeney Kimberley’s daughter, Denise**, also helps the day of the luncheon with transporting prizes to the banquet hall. We are always in need of additional “man” power.

**Diane Anstett Breman ‘65**, who helped with buying items for and assembling the prize baskets, recently moved to Manitowoc, WI. Thank you, Diane, for your many hours of help in the past 3 years.

Already we are planning for the **28th Annual Alvernia Alumnae Luncheon on April 26, 2020**. Our Board Members meet in September, October, January, February, March and April in Mount Prospect. We are pictured below at a March meeting. If anyone would like to get involved in alumnae events, please let us know. We especially need help the day of the luncheon as well as at the **Memorial Mass** which will be on **November 10, 2019**. If you think you might be interested, please call or email a board member. **Contact information is on page 2 of this newsletter**. You can certainly join us at a meeting as a guest to see if you might want to be more involved.

There will be more detailed information regarding the luncheon in our **Winter-Spring** issue. However, just a reminder, that if you wish to donate a prize you must notify **Barbara Annoreno by February 1, 2020**. Only **new** items can be used as prizes. Items donated after the deadline will be held for the following year. Cash and Gift cards are always very welcome. Your generous donations have enabled us to provide beautiful prizes over the years and most with gift cards included.



L-R Pat Grimes ‘69, Judy Skotzko ‘71, Diane Anstett Breman ‘65, Sharon Watt Scesniak ‘60, Alberta Matulis ‘60, Cathy Biedron Eckart ‘60



L-R , Joann Lewandowski ‘60, Mary Grimes ‘65, Eileen Lowery ‘71, Pat Feeney Kimberley ‘55, Barbara Voss Dowling ‘55, Mary Ann Ulm Rosso ‘55, Standing, Joanne Wydra Kalkirtz ‘64, Barbara Stefan Annoreno ‘60

### HELP WANTED

Alum volunteers are needed to help on the day of the luncheon.  
We are asking for just an hour of your time. Have a friend work with you.  
Volunteers are needed in the following areas:

Registration  
Dues Table, Alvernia Gift Shop  
Raffle ticket sellers  
Distribute raffle prizes to the winners.

Please call or email Joann Lewandowski if you have questions or if you would like to volunteer  
708-386-1681/lewjoann@hotmail.com

## CLASS REPS

Our Alumnae Association has a two-fold purpose: to keep the Spirit of Alvernia alive within its members and to raise funds for the Sisters who guided us in our earlier years. A **Class Rep** can help to accomplish these goals by:

1. Keeping an accurate class list by establishing a network within the class to contact members.
2. Calling classmates to:
  - a) Gather news items for the newsletter.
  - b) Promote enthusiasm and class representation at the various functions.

Class Reps are NOT responsible for organizing reunions.

The Class Rep Coordinator is

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Your news can be sent to

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*Names in bold are on Facebook.*

**Alvernia Alumnae Association**  
**28<sup>th</sup> Annual Luncheon**  
**Sunday, April 26, 2020**  
*The Cotillion*

360 S Creekside Drive, Palatine, IL  
 Northwest Highway and Route 53  
 11:30 AM Cocktail Reception  
 1:00 PM Lunch

**Reservation Deadline: April 17, 2020**  
 No refunds after this date.  
**Advance Reservations ONLY! No walk-ins.**  
 Mail to:  
**Alvernia Alumnae Association**  
**C/O PAT GRIMES**  
**3712 N PARIS AVE**  
**CHICAGO, IL 60634**

Please complete ALL fields below:

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**Last (Married) Name**                      **First**                      **Maiden**

**Class of:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone Number in case we need to reach you:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

		<b>How Many?</b>	<b>Total</b>
Membership Dues for: 8/1/2019/ through 7/31/2020	\$20.00 per year		\$
Luncheon Tickets: Early Bird by 2/1/2020	\$50.00 per person		\$
after 2/1/2020	\$60.00 per person		
I am a member of a religious order.	\$45.00 per person		\$
I am a former faculty member.	\$45.00 per person		\$
I would like to sponsor a religious to attend.	\$45.00 per person		\$
I would like to make a prize donation.			\$
<b>Total</b>			\$
<b>Check payable to the ALVERNIA ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION</b>			

All attendees will be seated with their class. If you are paying for someone other than yourself, please indicate their names and class year.

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If you have the following dietary needs please indicate below:

Gluten Free \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_ I have an allergy to: \_\_\_\_\_

**ALVERNIA ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION  
c/o School Sisters of St. Francis  
3902 N. Ridgeway  
Chicago, IL 60618**

**DATED MATERIAL  
PLEASE DELIVER PROMPTLY**

**CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS**

**Sunday, November 10, 2019  
Annual Memorial Mass  
Fall Gathering  
3PM**

**Wednesday, November 20, 2019  
Drury Lane Theater  
Disney's  
*Mary Poppins***

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Sunday, April 26, 2020  
The Cotillion, Palatine, IL**

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**All reservation forms can be downloaded  
from our Website:  
[www.alverniaalumnae.org](http://www.alverniaalumnae.org)**