WOMEN OF THE MOUNT

Celebrating 40 Extraordinary Women
This is a special edition of Mount Magazine, honoring the 40th anniversary of women admitted as undergraduates on our campus. On these pages, you’ll find a roundtable discussion with three women who were on campus in the fall of 1972, as well as many pages celebrating 40 women who have made a difference — on campus, in their communities, and in the world.

We heard from many of you in the last few months as we sought examples of women to profile. Here are two examples.

I entered The Mount in the Fall of 1970. The male bastion was intact and I grew quite comfortable in the atmosphere of the Mount. Then, our world was rocked when it was announced that St. Joseph College was closing and women would soon be among us. To say I was not thrilled was an understatement, but I made many friendships with the “new” students and among them was Belinda Lowry. We were never more than friends at the Mount, but a comment by a professor to the both of us (“you two would make a perfect couple”) held more truth than I knew at the time. About a year after graduation, our paths crossed, never to separate again. We were married in the fall of 1976 at the Grotto, and have traveled life’s path together for more than 35 years. To say Belinda has had an impact on my life is an understatement, because she is my life! — John Jaffee, C’74

In the spring of 1983, my life was forever impacted when I met my soon-to-be roommate, Carrie Sittnick Moore. I can vividly picture her standing on the Terrace stairs on a beautiful, warm afternoon. Not quite five feet tall, with shoulder-length dirty blonde hair and blue eyes, wearing plaid shorts and a pink Izod shirt, she had the presence of an NFL linebacker. In the following months and years, I would discover that, in addition to being a pint size dynamo, Carrie was brilliant, politically savvy, extremely opinionated, and completely devoted to those she loved. She said what she thought, no matter the consequences, because the strength of her personality was the strength of her conviction.

After graduating from the Mount with a degree in political science, Carrie worked as a program analyst for the Department of Defense for 23 years. She married a wonderful man and was the mother to two sweet girls. Despite Carrie’s larger than life presence, her body was not as powerful. She was diagnosed with Muscular Dystrophy when she was a youth, although I don’t think I knew or realized that she had that diagnosis in college. She never let it hold her back, never let it slow her down. It wasn’t until years after college that I realized the full extent of Carrie’s disease. Carrie is no longer with us. We lost her in February, 2011, three weeks before her 48th birthday. In addition to her amazing husband and beautiful daughters, Carrie left behind an incredibly loving immediate family. As for me, I miss her very much. I still feel her with me though nudging me forward, telling me to be tough, speak my mind, and figure it out. It is impossible to sum up a life in two paragraphs, but what I can tell you is that although Carrie led a completely ordinary life, she was extraordinary. — Daria Smith Isenhour, C’85

John and Daria’s reflections on Belinda and Carrie are but two of hundreds of stories we could share on Mount women. From St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, who walked our campus from its earliest days, to today’s energetic students, the Mount community has been blessed by the influence of women fulfilling our mission and guided by our foundation of Faith, Discovery, Leadership and Community.

I hope you enjoy reading about the many women featured on these pages. As we approach the season of Thanksgiving, I am thankful for all they have done, and continue to do, for our University.

God Bless!

Thomas H. Powell
President
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40 WOMEN OF THE MOUNT: CELEBRATING 40 EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN

Enjoy these stories as we celebrate the 40th anniversary of their official arrival on campus!

By Susan J. Burlingame

THE MOUNT’S PIONEERS (PART 1)
The women who began at the Mount in the fall of 1972 we’re trailblazers—ushering in a new era on the all-male campus.
COMMENCEMENT 2012

A total of 357 undergraduate and 167 graduate students received their degrees during the Mount’s 204th Commencement Exercises in May. The Class of 2012 included students from 11 countries — Australia, Nepal, South Africa, Estonia, India, Czechoslovakia, Ghana, Germany, India, Nigeria, Japan and Canada.

Veryl V. Miles, Ph.D., dean and professor of law at the Catholic University of America’s Columbus School of Law, offered this year’s commencement address — encouraging graduates to continue to live the rich tradition of the Mount’s mission. Dean Miles and Robert P. George, the McCormick Professor of Jurisprudence and Director of the James Madison Program at Princeton University, were awarded honorary degrees.

Following the ceremony, C-SPAN producer Michael Cavaiola, C’97, interviewed several graduates about their special day, their impressions of Dr. Miles’ address, and their plans for the future. The interviews aired as part of a C-SPAN special on commencement addresses from colleges and universities across the country.

Hear what the students had to say — www.msmary.edu/videos/Mount_CSPAN.html

WHERE IN THE WORLD IS THE CLASS OF 2012?

Members of the Mount class of 2012 headed to medical school, graduate and law school, employment with the FBI, FDA and entered the professional fields of business, finance, education, the non-profits, volunteer service, social work and the arts.

Meet some of the Mount’s newest alumni!

- Nancy Abu-Bonsrah is attending medical school at Johns Hopkins University. She credits the Mount faculty with shaping her career choice. “Through their guidance and encouragement, I developed both intellectually and personally. More importantly, I was well-prepared for medical school!”

- Julia Mulqueen is a 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Transportation Corps, 25th Infantry Division. She says her time in ROTC was her best experience at the Mount. “I learned the importance of community. We can do nothing alone, and we need people who can support and care for us.”

- Jastin Mostowitt is attending law school at Washington and Lee University and credits the size of the Mount community in helping him develop strong relationships. “From faculty honors project mentors, to professors, classmates, teammates and hall mates, the Mount community supports students in their endeavors.”

Where can a Mount education take you? ANYWHERE!

The Class of 2012 includes the new medical school students, accountants, art therapists, a majority; representatives at Wall Street and consulting firms. Meet a few members of the Class of 2012 and discover what their Mount education has been them.

To meet other members of the Class of 2012, visit www.msmary.edu/class2012
SOLAR POWER AT THE MOUNT OFFICIALLY TURNED ON

The Mount celebrated the ribbon-cutting and completion of Constellation Energy’s 16.1-megawatt, grid-connected solar farm on campus — part of the State of Maryland’s Generating Clean Horizons initiative.

University and Constellation Energy officials, as well as Maryland Gov. Martin O’Malley, participated in the August ceremony.

Constellation financed, owns and operates the $50 million solar facility on behalf of the State of Maryland. The State’s Department of General Services, as well as the University System of Maryland purchase electricity generated by the system under 20-year agreements with Constellation.

“This significant step in sustainability for Mount St. Mary’s University and the State of Maryland shows that our commitment to being good stewards of the environment is steadfast,” said Thomas H. Powell, University president.

“The solar farm presents an exciting learning and teaching opportunity for our students and for the local community, and places the Mount at the forefront in championing responsible land use and promoting renewable energy resources.”

—THOMAS H. POWELL, PRESIDENT

The grid-connected system is expected to produce more than 20 million kilowatt hours of emissions-free electricity per year. Generating the same amount of electricity using nonrenewable sources would result in the release of 17,981 metric tons of carbon dioxide annually.

The ground-mounted solar power plant was constructed by First Solar, using approximately 220,000 of its advanced thin film PV panels situated on 100 acres of university property. In addition to the 16.1-megawatt system, Constellation developed an additional 1.6-megawatt solar grid — to power the university’s athletic complex.

Zip Lining Across Campus

The Mount’s nationally-recognized Outdoor Adventure program recently debuted a zip line that spans 500-feet, and 50-feet in the air, across the pond near the campus athletic complex.

President Powell joined students in making an inaugural trip down the zip line — which complements the university’s challenge ropes course and leadership programming.

Scan the QR code with your smartphone to watch President Powell zipline.
NEW FACES ON THE MOUNT CAMPUS

Whetsel-Ribeau Appointed Special Assistant to the President for Community Leadership

Paula Whetsel-Ribeau, Ph.D., has been appointed as the Special Assistant to the President for Community Relations—providing leadership enhancing the Mount’s efforts in building an inclusive, welcoming, academic community for all students, faculty and staff.

“We are excited to have Paula as part of the Mount team,” says President Thomas H. Powell. “Paula will play a critical role in enhancing our culture and campus life to support and enrich the Mount student body.”

Whetsel-Ribeau will also work with the President’s Office in advancing the Mount’s profile in the Mid-Atlantic region, through active participation with government offices, foundations and professional associations.

“I am proud and thrilled to join the Mount and its historic legacy of more than 200-years of excellence in Catholic education,” says Whetsel-Ribeau. “I am inspired by the programs and people defining the Mount community.”

Before joining the Mount, Dr. Whetsel-Ribeau worked at Howard University in Washington, D.C., serving as the Executive Director of the Alternative Spring Break Program; Founder and Chair of the Howard University Women As Change Agents initiative; and was a faculty member in the Afro-American Studies Department. She has also served as the Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs and an Education Instructor at Bowling Green State University in Ohio.

Whetsel-Ribeau holds a bachelor of science degree in education from Bowling Green State University, a master’s degree from Kutztown University in Pennsylvania, and a Doctorate in Leadership Studies, also from Bowling Green — where she graduated with academic distinction.

Ochoa Named Frederick Campus Academic Dean

Gregory Ochoa, Ed.D., joined Mount St. Mary’s in July as the Academic Dean for the Mount’s Frederick Campus and the Center for Professional and Continuing Studies.

Ochoa came to the Mount from Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania — where he served as a tenured faculty member in the Academic Services Department, and the Director of the Academic Success Program. Ochoa also served as an Associate Dean of Students, the Director of the Office of Multicultural Development and Character Education, and the International Student Advisor.

“I am thrilled to join the Mount family and I look forward to partnering with the Frederick community to meet their academic needs through our unique accelerated programs,” Ochoa said.

“My goal is to make the Frederick campus known as the academic hub for adult learners in both our undergraduate degree completion and Master’s programs.”

He earned a BA in Psychology from Creighton University, an MA in Psychology from West Virginia Graduate College/ Marshall University, and an Ed.D. in Educational Leadership from Duquesne University. His current area of research includes leadership and adult education.

ACE Fellow Joins the Mount

Suzan J. Harkness, Ph.D., an associate professor of Political Science and assistant dean at the University of the District of Columbia, is spending the 2012-13 academic year at the Mount as part of the American Council on Education (ACE) Fellows Program.

Her ACE fellowship allows Harkness to focus on the administrative side of a liberal arts university.

“I selected Mount St. Mary’s because it is a dynamic small faith-based liberal arts institution, much like the type of institution I see myself leading in the not too distant future,” Harkness says. “I aspire to be part of a small-campus experience where as president or senior leader, I know students by name as well as the faculty who facilitate learning. I see campuses of this size being an integrative learning community where we thrive together and support the educative successes of all,” she said.

Harkness earned her Ph.D. in political science from the University of Hawaii in 2000. She holds a master’s degree from U.S. International University and a bachelor’s of science from the University of Wisconsin.

Established in 1965, the ACE Fellows Program — the longest running leadership development program in the United States — focuses on identifying and preparing senior leadership for America’s colleges and universities. Harkness is one of 54 college and university senior faculty and administrators selected nationally for the 2012-13 program.

During the year, Fellows observe and work with university leadership, attend decision-making meetings and focus on issues of concern. Fellows conduct projects contributing to the institutional capacity of their home campuses, and engage in leadership and management activities to enhance their knowledge about the challenges and opportunities confronting higher education.

“Mount St. Mary’s is beautifully positioned and offers this type of experience,” Harkness says. “There is a rich closeness and warmth that is immediately apparent the first moment you step on campus. It is clearly the right place to learn about university leadership and success.”
The Mount Ranked Among Top Universities

For the third straight year, Mount St. Mary’s University has earned a place as a top 25 “Best Regional University,” with its inclusion in the 2013 edition of Best Colleges 2013 by U.S. News & World Report.

Mount St. Mary’s University ranked 23rd among 133 institutions listed in the North region. The Mount also earned a U.S. News top 15 regional ranking in the “Great Schools at Great Prices” category.

“We are very pleased that U.S. News & World Report has again recognized Mount St. Mary’s as one of the North region’s top universities,” said University President Thomas H. Powell. “The Mount community celebrates this distinction that we are, indeed, a great university.”

U.S News rankings are based largely on undergraduate academic reputation, graduation and retention rates, faculty resources, assessments from peer institutions, student selectivity, financial resources, and alumni giving.

“This ranking is a testament to our exceptional and affordable Catholic, liberal arts education,” says Vice President of Enrollment Management, Michael Post. “We always advise parents and students to use these rankings as just one of the many tools when evaluating the true value of a particular college. Still, we are pleased to be within the top 25 for three years in a row, and to be listed as a Best Value institution for 2012.”

The exclusive list, which includes rankings of more than 1,600 schools nationwide, is available at www.usnews.com/colleges, and also appears in the 2013 edition of the Best Colleges guidebook.

On Campus

DR. BYRON STAY RETIRES

By Megan Ritchey, C’12

Professor Byron Stay retired this spring after 32 years of teaching thousands of Mount communications students.

Dr. Stay arrived at the Mount after seeing a help-wanted ad seeking a candidate to start a Writing Center at Mount St. Mary’s. He says he knew the job was for him and he was eager to engage in a new method to improve students’ communication skills.

“Teaching at the Mount gave me the chance to gain a large number of life-long friends. I will miss seeing them on a daily basis but plan to stay in touch. And, of course, I’ll miss all of the wonderful students who have come my way.”

Stay said he keeps in touch with his former students across the country through email as they enter the work field. Communication with graduates helped advise his current students as they pursued varied opportunities and careers. Some of the pivotal moments of Dr. Stay’s tenure on campus occurred when one of his students and friend, Peter Rono, won an Olympic gold medal in the 1500-meter run in 1988. He also relished the five years he spent as Associate Dean.

“Dr. Stay had a wonderful career at the Mount, combining excellent teaching, care for students, and service as associate dean and department chair,” said Provost David Rehm. “He is a productive scholar and wonderful citizen, and he still finds time to play the trumpet, run marathons, ride his motorcycle, and travel. His warmth, gentleness, and love for the Mount will be missed.”
INTRODUCING *Veritas*: THE MOUNT’S REINVIGORATED COMMON ACADEMIC CURRICULUM

Mount St. Mary’s University is implementing a newly organized general education curriculum, the Veritas program, during the 2012-13 academic year.

Veritas is the academic embodiment of the Mount’s Catholic mission. More than just a set of requirements, the program is a common, four-year curriculum forming students for success in the modern world. Rooted in the liberal arts — including philosophy, theology, history, and literature — all Mount students receive a solid grounding in the Catholic intellectual tradition.

President Powell, “This bold new common curriculum provides a superb foundation for our major programs — and provides the necessary tools to ensure a bright future for our graduates.”

Integrated with every academic major, and with leadership development and cultural components, students personally incorporate and apply their knowledge within their own field of interest, and in their life outside the classroom. Veritas is the framework for a rich intellectual community, in which every Mount student receives a true liberal education in all its dimensions — communication skills, cultural content, and character formation.

The Veritas sequence also teams with the university’s recently established Institute for Leadership, which prepares Mount students to understand, challenge, and address the problems facing humanity. The Institute sponsors educational programs, scholarly research, and experiential programs designed to connect theoretical learning about leadership to engagement with the world. Students are required to complete a series of activities tied to leadership — combining curricular and co-curricular dimensions — before graduating. The portfolio also benefits students as they begin job searches with potential employers.

“I am excited that I am in the first class to have this curriculum. I know I’m going to strengthen and develop a skill set I haven’t been exposed to yet.” — Brady Parson, C’16

“Academically, it opens a door for us to try a variety of new things and I appreciate the emphasis on producing well rounded students as well as solid critical thinkers.” — Emily Puthawala, C’16

“Veritas differs from other core curriculums because of the common educational experience of integrated and carefully sequenced courses for students,” says Leona Sevick, associate provost and Veritas director. “Students also have the opportunity to explore and connect with a range of major and minor academic areas that are part of the program.”

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“Students learn the theory of leadership in the classroom and then put that theory to practice in experiences both on- and off-campus,” says Paul Manuel, director of the institute and professor of political science.

“We are very proud of Veritas, and the Mount faculty and administration who worked so diligently bringing it to life,” said President Powell.

In 2010, President Thomas H. Powell charged the Mount community to examine the university’s existing general education program. Veritas marks the first fundamental rethinking of the Mount’s general education requirements in more than two decades, and debuts with the incoming first-year class of 2016.

“Veritas solidifies the Mount’s dedication to the formation of well-rounded, academically-strong, global leaders,” says content, and character formation.

The program includes four components: the Common Educational Experience (sequenced courses adding up to 33 credits), Domains of Guided Exploration (applying required courses to chosen major area of study), Integrative Requirements (incorporating writing and leadership skills), and Cultural/Enrichment Events (requiring participation in three cultural events per year).
EXTENDING THE MOUNT’S RESEARCH CAPACITY

Dana Ward, Ph.D., C’97, assistant professor of biology, was part of a team of mid-Atlantic researchers who recently secured a National Science Foundation grant for a laser scanning confocal microscope.

Ward worked with a team of biologists from the Towson University, Washington College, and Loyola University Maryland in securing the $273,698 grant — awarded through the NSF’s Major Research Instrumentation program. She says the development of a multi-institutional core confocal microscopy facility will significantly aid research in the biology of cells.

The microscope will be housed at Loyola.

“This is a great opportunity for Mount students and faculty. This piece of equipment will be particularly useful to students taking courses with a heavy cell biology focus and utilized by students doing cell-biology focused research projects,” said Ward.

The advantage of a confocal microscope over traditional microscopes is that it allows for “optical sectioning.” It has the ability to acquire focused images from very narrow depths. Taking multiple consecutive images from different depths allows students to reconstruct, with the aid of a computer, 3-D topologically complex specimens. This allows for high resolution imaging of intracellular structures, in a way that is not possible with traditional microscopy.

“Having access to this microscope will not only enable new educational and research initiatives, but it will also open the door for faculty and student collaborations with scientists at other universities in the area,” Ward added.

THE AMBASSADOR’S DAUGHTER

Sitting in her international business or history classes, Mount sophomore Carmelle Kaneza might think about political figures and global news a little bit differently than the rest of her classmates.

Logical, considering she’s met President Barack Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama, and her mother has worked with Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and Vice President Joe Biden.

Kaneza’s mother, Angele Niyuhire, is the current Ambassador of Burundi, a small country in East Africa. “It is pretty cool to have a mother who is an ambassador because you get to experience new things and meet a lot of important people,” Kaneza said.

Born in Burundi, Carmelle moved to Washington, D.C. two years ago. While on a college search, she visited Mount St. Mary’s and admired the rural setting. At the Mount, Kaneza is involved in the Pan-african club and enjoys attending the Mount’s basketball games.

She says the biggest adjustment to living in the United States was learning a new language, but her remains close to Burundi by speaking Kirundi and French, the two official languages of the country, at home. And while Burundi and the Mount may be placed opposite on the globe, Kaneza believes the Mount is similar to her home country.

“The best thing about Burundi is that it is a small country where almost everyone knows each other,” she says.

However, the cuisine is vastly different. “Most of the food in Burundi starts with a base of rice and beans, and in the U.S., and on campus there is so much to choose from,” she says.

Kaneza has plans to attend graduate school after graduating from the Mount, but keeps Burundi on her mind saying “I miss my family and my friends who stayed there. I miss being home.”
KARL EINOLF, PH.D., NAMED DEAN

Karl Einolf, Ph.D., a long-time Mount St. Mary’s University faculty member, has been appointed Dean of the Mount’s Richard J. Bolte Sr. School of Business.

Einolf joined the Mount staff in 1998, and was promoted to professor in 2010.

He is a recipient of the University’s Richards Award for Teaching Excellence, and he served for six years as director of the Mount’s Honors Program. He is a renowned scholar and co-author of Management Economics.

“I am excited to work with the Mount’s faculty and staff to advance our collective vision as a leader in business education,” says Einolf. “We offer distinctive programs cultivating business expertise in the context of our core Catholic values. And our world-class faculty is dedicated to developing our students into capable, methodical, and ethical decision-makers.”

LOGISTICS AND SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ANNOUNCED

The Maryland Higher Education Commission recently approved a new graduate certificate program in Logistics and Supply Chain Management for the Mount’s Bolte School of Business.

The program addresses the complex challenges and the specialized knowledge required to prepare finished products for sale and to distribute finished products from the point of acquisition. Students develop cross-functional team skills emphasizing cost analysis, e-business, logistics network modeling, and information management. “Professionals in the field of logistics are in high demand, and we are excited to respond to the changing market with a relevant and timely program,” says Karl W. Einolf, dean of the Bolte School.

The certificate program is run in a cohort model, and consists of five graduate-level courses that can be applied toward an MBA degree, if desired. Classes are held at the University’s Frederick Campus, and are offered in an accelerated format.

For more information, contact Deb Powell, director of graduate and adult business programs at dpowell@msmary.edu or visit msmary.edu/mba.

MINOR LEAGUE INTERNSHIP PROVIDES MAJOR LEAGUE EXPERIENCE

by Andrew Hull, C’13, Sport Management & Business Major

This summer, I had the incredible opportunity to work with the Hagerstown Suns, the Class-A affiliate of the Washington Nationals. Being a sport management major, my dream has always been to work for a professional baseball organization. With the help of the Career Center and my advisor, Corinne Farneti, I was able to locate this internship and work for credits towards my major while gaining important career experience.

I worked in the group sales department for the Suns, and one of the key components to my internship was working with groups of 10 people or more visiting the ballpark. My internship was not just about making cold calls to bring in more business — although I made my fair share. I worked in almost every aspect of professional baseball, including on-field promotions, grounds maintenance, and clubhouse logistics.

Throughout my internship, Dr. Farneti and Alissa Hart of the Career Center checked in to make sure that everything was going well. Alissa helped me update my resume to keep it current while Dr. Farneti visited the ballpark to enjoy a game and see her friend and Suns star pitcher, Alex Meyer.
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS
Joshua Hochschild, Ph.D., Dean

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS WELCOMES NEW FACULTY
Pratibha Kumar, Ph.D., is the newest member of the Communication Studies Department. Prior to coming to the Mount, Dr. Kumar received her doctorate in communication and public discourse and a master’s in communication from the University of North Dakota. She also earned a master’s in English literature from Annamalai University, and her B.A. in English from the University of Delhi. Previously, Dr. Kumar was an assistant professor and director of forensics at the University of Mary.

The Philosophy Department now includes Assistant Professor Angela Schwenkler, Ph.D. Dr. Schwenkler received her doctorate in Philosophy from the University of Notre Dame, and her B.A. in philosophy from the College of the Holy Cross. Dr. Schwenkler worked as an instructor and teaching assistant at the University of Notre Dame prior to joining the Mount.

Also new to the Theology Department is Emily Stetler, Ph.D. Dr. Stetler received her doctorate and M.T.S from the University of Notre Dame, her M.A. in philosophy from Trinity College Dublin, and her B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania. Her research interests include theological anthropology, spirituality, comparative theology and interreligious dialogue, and modern and postmodern theologies.

The College of Liberal Arts welcomed four new professors this fall. Paige Hochschild, Ph.D., joined the Theology Department as an assistant professor. Before joining the Mount, Dr. Hochschild received her doctorate in theology from the University of Durham and a master’s from Dalhousie University. She earned her B.A. from University of King’s College. Dr. Hochschild is a familiar face on campus—she previously taught both Philosophy and Theology at the Mount’s Seminary.

STUDENT PUBLICATION WINS AWARD
Lighted Corners, the Mount’s student-run literary magazine, earned a gold medal from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association for the Spring 2012 issue. This is the magazine’s first gold since 2008. Special congratulations to students Karolina Gajdeczka, C’13, editor, and Teresa Fredericks, C’13, art editor, for their commitment to the success of this publication.

NEW BOOKS BY FACULTY
Three works by College of Liberal Arts faculty members were published this year:

• William Collinge, Ph.D., professor of philosophy and theology, has written the second edition of his book, Historical Dictionary of Catholicism.
• David McCarthy, Ph.D., professor of theology, wrote Sharing God’s Good Company: A Theology of the Communion of Saints.
• Paige Hochschild, Ph.D., assistant professor of theology, is the author of Memory in Augustine’s Theological Anthropology.

CLA FACULTY AWARDED TENURE
• Christine Blackshaw, Ph.D., associate professor of Spanish
• Michelle Patterson, Ph.D., associate professor of History
• Sarah Scott, Ph.D., assistant professor of English
• Thane Naberhaus, Ph.D., assistant professor of philosophy

UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR
• Trudy Conway, Ph.D., professor of philosophy
• Carmen Schmersahl, Ph.D., professor of communications

PROMOTION
• Elaini Tsoukatos, Ph.D., has been promoted to assistant professor in the Foreign Languages Department.
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SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES
Barbara Martin Palmer, Ph.D., Dean

TECHNOLOGY GRANT AWARD
In order to model the meaningful integration of technology for learning, teacher educators must have state-of-the-art technology available for demonstration purposes. Laura Corbin Frazier, Ed.D., and Meghan Brown, M.Ed., candidate, were awarded a Maryland Society for Education Technology (MSET) grant to support the purchase of a set of Livescribe pens for the Education Department.

The pens are used in K-12 classrooms to capture what a student writes, as well as teacher talk during direct instruction, peer talk during group work, or self talk during independent practice. Dean Barbara Martin Palmer applauded the grant for “increasing the department’s technology holdings, and meeting one of the department’s technology plan goals.”

FACULTY NEWS
Stacey Brown-Hobbs, Ph.D., accreditation coordinator and PDS liaison in the Education Department, successfully defended her dissertation titled: “The Roles, Responsibilities, and Situational Leadership Qualities of NCATE Coordinators in Maryland and New Jersey at Notre Dame of Maryland University.” She now holds a Ph.D. in Educational Leadership for Changing Populations and assumes the title Assistant Professor of Education.

Kim Hansen, assistant professor of sociology, has written the book: Military Chaplains and Religious Diversity based on his dissertation research. One reviewer noted: “Professor Hansen’s book is an engaging and down-to-earth description of the work that Americans expect of their military chaplains. A good listener and careful ethnographer, Hansen shows us the surprising balancing act performed by chaplains who are military officers, facilitators of the constitutional free exercise rights of a diverse group of sailors, marines, soldiers, and airmen, and representatives of their particular religious communities.

PRINCIPALS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE ESTABLISHED
The Mount’s Center for Catholic School Excellence joined the Archdiocese of Baltimore, Loyola University Maryland and Notre Dame University of Maryland in establishing the Principals Leadership Institute of Advanced Study (PLIAS). The certificate program provides continuing professional development for Catholic school principals and assistant principals.

SEHS ALUMNI COMMITTEE REQUEST
Alumni Committee members are contacting classmates via phone or email — asking them to complete a brief survey for the SEHS. If you haven’t yet completed the survey, please log on to http://tinyurl.com/survey-education1 for Education or http://tinyurl.com/survey-sociology for Sociology.

CUTTING EDGE PRACTICE
Rasha El Makaty, Tonya Feaster, Christopher Coughlin, and Andrea Putz completed their first teacher internship at Crestwood Middle School, a professional development school for the Mount. As part of the Maryland Teaching Consortium’s Race to the Top Project, the Mount is piloting a new internship mentoring model. The school leadership team planned instructional rounds for the interns’ first two weeks. They observed classrooms as a group, discussed planning with multiple teachers, and discussed what they saw when they debriefed with the mentor teacher and Professor in Residence.

The Maryland Teaching Consortium is investigating the academy model as an extension of the traditional model (one intern per mentor teacher and classroom per semester). This is another way the Mount is leading the way in teacher education.

SOCILOGY MAJORS SHARE RESEARCH
Sociology majors are required to complete a Major Research Project as a graduation requirement. Jessica Corun, Rachele Hill, and Brittany Mason presented the results of their projects at poster sessions at the Eastern Sociological Society’s Annual Meeting in New York City.

Students from more than 50 public and private institutions in the region presented posters.

Corun explored reasons Facebook users engage in the hide interaction in her project “Hide and Seek: Reasons behind the Hide Interaction on Facebook.” Hill and Mason studied the effectiveness of Police Activities League (PAL) programs at the request of the Frederick City Police in their project “Evaluation of Police Run Community Based Programs for At-Risk Youth.” Mason also presented on the topic “Family Structure and Youthful Offending Rates.”

Mount sociology professors Virginia McGovern and Martin Malone, also presented a paper, “Drug Abusing Medical Professionals,” at the meeting.
OFF THE COAST WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
By Rose Krakowiak, C’15 — Chemistry major

This spring, I joined nine U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) scientists on a week-long survey in the Atlantic Ocean aboard the vessel Bold. The goal of the survey was to collect samples of water and sediment in designated EPA ocean disposal sites along the Atlantic coast, and testing to ensure ocean life is thriving while existing near disposal sites.

The scientists and crew aboard Bold collected samples 24/7 and were split up in various shifts each day. I was fortunate enough to have a shift beginning at 8 a.m., with two scientists, and we worked until noon. I was back on deck at 8 p.m., and worked until midnight. We continually collected samples and gathered data from the ocean.

First we collected water samples from various depths (bottom, middle and surface levels) using a CTD (Conductivity - Temperature - Depth) instrument. During these collections, I guided the CTD into the water as well as gave hand signals to the Bold crew member controlling the machinery attached to the instrument. The water samples collected are used to test the water’s nutrients, the amount of living bacteria, and the water quality.

What I found most fascinating — and my favorite part of the survey — was collecting sediment samples. First, the samples had to be collected about 20 miles from the coast, then we lowered a dredge off the back of the ship until it landed on the ocean’s floor. Here, the dredge scooped up a giant load of sediment. These samples are analyzed for the benthic life (or the “little critters” living in the sediment on the ocean floor), the grain size, and the percentage of metal present.

I am extremely thankful to the EPA science crew, as well as the Bold crew, for providing this opportunity — especially Renee Searfoss, chief scientist of the survey. Spending time on the Bold was an amazing experience and I gained valuable field experience and knowledge. I certainly understand the importance of accuracy in sample collection!
POPE BENEDICT XVI NAMES JAMES CONLEY, S’85, NEW BISHOP OF DIOCESE OF LINCOLN

Pope Benedict XVI has named Auxiliary Bishop James D. Conley, S.T.L., of the Archdiocese of Denver, and a 1985 graduate of Mount St. Mary's Seminary, as the new bishop of the Diocese of Lincoln, Neb.

A native of Overland Park, Kan., Bishop Conley served as a priest for 23 years before his episcopal ordination, including 10 years of service to the Pope as an official in the Vatican Congregation for Bishops in Rome.

He is the ninth bishop of the Lincoln Diocese.

Bishop Conley received philosophical formation at St. Pius X Seminary in Erlanger, Ky., and his theological formation at Mount St. Mary’s Seminary, where he earned a master’s degree in divinity. He was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Wichita, and in 1989 travelled to Rome — where he earned a licentiate in moral theology from the Accademia Alfonsiana, part of the Faculty of Theology at the Pontifical Lateran University.

He served the church as a pastor, college campus chaplain, director of Respect Life ministries, theology instructor, and Vatican official before Pope Benedict appointed him auxiliary bishop of Denver in 2008.

The Mount has earned the distinction of “Cradle of Bishops,” with 51 episcopal alumni counted among its ranks.

MSGR. MULLIGAN PENS NEW CIVIL WAR BOOK

Msgr. James J. Mulligan, former seminary dean of studies and faculty member, is the author of a new book, The Haystack, a Civil War mystery dealing with the Battle of Antietam. Msgr. Mulligan notes: “This seemed like a good year to publish the book, since 2012 is the 150th anniversary of the battle. Sharpsburg and the battlefield are places where I spent a great deal of time visiting and studying during my years at the Mount. It is one of the Civil War battlefields that remains essentially untouched since the time of the battle.”

In the book, Dr. James V. Dougherty, newly graduated from Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia, has his first experience of battle at Antietam on September 17, 1862, the bloodiest day in American history. Two days later, to no one’s surprise, he finds a body on the field. The body, however, is no battle casualty, but a murder victim. It takes all his powers of observation and forensic skills to establish this fact and find the killer, but only after he himself has literally come within an inch of losing his own life.

Msgr. Mulligan served in the Seminary from 1963-87 as dean of studies and professor of Systematic Theology, Moral Theology and Homiletics. Currently, he is the director of priestly life and ministry and medical ethicist in the Diocese of Allentown.

Msgr. Mulligan’s book is available through Amazon.com either as a paperback or ebook for the Kindle, or directly through the publisher at www.createspace.com/3835573

FATHER BRETT BRANNEN RETURNS TO THE MOUNT

Father Brett A. Brannen, who served as Seminary vice rector from 2005-11, returned to the Mount in June and served as Retreat Master for the annual Seminary Alumni Retreat. Father Brannen, S’91, and a member of the Diocese of Savannah, is the author of To Save a Thousand Souls: A Guide for Discerning a Vocation to the Diocesan Priesthood. He is currently pastor of St. Matthew Parish in Statesboro, GA, and chaplain at Georgia Southern University.

More than 50 alumni from 26 Seminary classes and 19 dioceses participated in the week-long retreat.

“Father Brannen is a highly respected retreat master who has directed many retreats for priests, religious and seminarians throughout the nation. It was wonderful to have him back at the Mount,” said Seminary Rector Msgr. Steven P. Rohlfs, S.T.D.
CONSTRUCTION BEGINS ON GROTTO VISITOR CENTER

With the roar of bulldozers filling the air, construction has begun on the Visitor Center at the National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes on the Mount campus.

The 4,000-square-foot structure will house administrative offices, a gallery, gift shop, museum area depicting the history of the Grotto and an outdoor cloister area for visitors to enjoy.

“We are thrilled construction has kicked-off. We have a glorious National Shrine on our campus and soon we will have a year-round destination spot to welcome our many visitors,” said Bill Tronolone, director of the Grotto.

The $3 million project is funded primarily by donor gifts to the Grotto and completion is expected in March of 2013. The National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes will remain open during construction, with regular hours and masses held daily.

WATCH THE GROTTO LIVE! To view the construction, visit www.msmary.edu/grottocam or scan the QR code with your smartphone.

Niches are available in two columbariums at Mount St. Mary’s Cemetery, adjacent to the National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes.

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Each columbarium, constructed of gray stone and marble with black marble shutters, is situated high atop the cemetery near the DuBois and St. Seton Groves. Pricing is based on the size of the niche and includes the opening and closing of the niche as well as engraving of the shutter.

Your family will incur no additional charges for the interment. A portion of all cemetery sales is placed in a perpetual care fund that ensures the proper maintenance of this special place.

For more information and a personal tour call 301-447-5318 or visit www.msmary.edu/columbarium.
Recently, Maureen Carmichael Plant, C’82, the Mount’s director of alumni relations, and Duffy Ross, director of university communications, met with three pioneers of that era. Andrea Novotny Foley, C’76 and Ann Marie Cohee Hallinan, C’76, entered the Mount as first-year students, while Mary Berens Regan, C’74, ventured down Old Emmitsburg Road as a junior transfer from St. Joseph College.

In Part I of this roundtable, the women describe their first days on campus. The apprehension they felt, and the early interactions with the male students, professors and staff. Part II will run in the spring 2013 issue of Mount Magazine.

Mount Magazine: Let’s start with an easy question … how did you first become interested in the Mount?

Regan: I started at St. Joseph College. After Easter break of our freshman year, the students came back to the announcement that St. Joe’s was closing — meaning we could not graduate, so we had no choice but to leave the school. The students protested with a candle light ceremony, and stuff that, but it didn’t make any difference. I think it was Monsignor Kline from the Mount who was very influential on the transition. He said if St. Joe’s is dead, then the Mount is going to die, too. So the two schools needed each other in some fashion. I loved the valley, I loved the Mount and I wanted to stay.

Hallinan: My story goes pretty far back because my dad (Jerry Cohee) is a graduate of the Mount, class of 1949. Our family would do a pilgrimage back to campus every August. We would come up to the Grotto for Mary’s Feast Day of Assumption. We would run through campus, so my dad could locate some of the priests. There were a lot of priests onboard back then, so he wanted to see if any of them were on campus. I would say to him, “I am coming to The Mount.” He would tap me on the head and say, “it’s all boys honey, and you can’t come.” The Mount announced it was going co-ed my senior year of high school, and I think he was so ok with it because he loved it so much. He was very proud that I chose to come here. I have younger sisters and brothers that are Mount graduates, but I was the first!

Foley: I came to the Mount almost by default. I grew up in a very small town. My siblings and I were the first generation of our family to go to college, and I didn’t really have a lot of guidance.

But it just so happened that the guidance counselor at my high school was a Mount graduate and former basketball star (Dave Maloney, C’63). One day he posted something about taking a trip to the Mount for interested seniors, so I signed up. It was miserable the day we visited … just a yucky, rainy day, but because he was such the big shot around here, John J. Dillon Jr. (Mount President from 1971-77 welcomed us with open arms, and took us to lunch. We had a lovely day. So I thought, this is a really nice place and if it looks this nice in the pouring

The Mount’s Pioneers

(The Part 1)

The women who began at the Mount in the fall of 1972 were trailblazers—ushering in a new era on the all-male campus.
rain and people are this nice, maybe I'll give it a shot. I was very fortunate to get a very nice scholarship, too.

**Hallinan:** I went from an all-girl high school to a pre-dominantly male college. Thank goodness I had five brothers because it could have been really more shocking.

**Foley:** Well, they didn't remove the urinals! The urinals were there for at least two years. I guess they thought, “we're not sure this great experiment is going to work, why mess with the plumbing?”

**Hallinan:** And the guys thought they did a whole lot of things to entice the girls to be here!

**MOUNT MAGAZINE: THERE WERE SOME MEN WHO REALLY DIDN’T APPROVE OF THE CHANGE?**

**Regan:** I think even the faculty weren't quite sure what to do with us and how we would act in class. I think it did put some professors, some of the men in the class on edge. I had a Russian history class, and I was the only girl in the class. My professor was quite eccentric and it was quite the experience because these were all older men, older than I was, and I could tell that I was making some people nervous. They just weren't used to women being there. And you could see them questioning everything … is this girl going to keep up her end of the discussion? Will she do well? Do we have to watch our language? I think there was a lot of walking on eggshells.

**Hallinan:** I remember my English teacher (Professor John Williams). On the first day of class he called our names for attendance, and everybody was mister. He got to the “C’s” and said, “Mr. Cohee, and I said, “here!” and he looked up and said, “sorry!” Oh, and you could smoke in the classroom back then. It was bizarre. Can you imagine? You should have seen some of the men here!

**Regan:** My husband told me that before we got there, some men would walk around in their underwear in the dorms all the time when they’d go down for a soda. All of a sudden, they had to be dressed. It was different, so that was a big change for the guys!

**Foley:** There weren't many of us, and we we were isolated … maybe 90 girls total on two floors in Pangborn.

**Regan:** Do you remember the male visiting hours? They were very short and very strict and the doors had to be open. The proctor would walk up and down the hall to make sure all the boys were out. It was very, very strict.

**Hallinan:** Father Fives lived on the first floor of Pangborn and you could go in and have a great chat with him, though.

**Foley:** And on Friday nights Father Fives threw shrimp parties, and you could have either a Tom Collins or a whiskey sour, so he was a great faculty member to have living in your dorm!

**MOUNT MAGAZINE: WHAT WERE INTERACTIONS LIKE WITH THE MALE STUDENTS?**

**Foley:** They helped us move into the dorm, so that was nice!

**Hallinan:** I found that we wouldn't go into the cafeteria without another girl. No one went alone — you always met up and went as a group. You'd go into the cafeteria and there would be nothing but men, so we went unified. We did a lot of things in groups and clusters.

**Foley:** And I think there were some girls who paired up with junior and senior men right away. I mean, my roommate married a senior, and they started going out the second week of the first semester. I think a lot of us didn't have a lot of experience dating so we took it slow and ended up being tremendous friends with a lot of the men. And it wasn't really dating, because there was nowhere to go. Nobody had a car. Dating back then meant sitting in a stair well and putting your arm around somebody.

**Regan:** A lot of the guys left every single weekend, so their social life was still back at home. Many of them didn't stay on campus during the weekends.

**Foley:** In a way it was a wonderful experience. Having been surround by so many men, particularly in classes, helped me after college because I never felt intimidated by men in any situation. The Mount made me quite confident for a girl coming from a small town.

**MOUNT MAGAZINE: COULD WOMEN ASSUME LEADERSHIP ROLES ON CAMPUS, EVEN IN THE EARLY DAYS?**

**Regan:** I felt people were really concerned about us and interested in our futures, and there wasn't a division that you might find in a large school.

**Foley:** If you were a go-getter, you could do anything. And because they wanted the girls to stay and be happy, you could be supported in anything. I got to have a radio show my freshman year. I had no idea how to be a DJ, but it sounded cool and my roommate wanted to do it, so we went over and they showed us how to spin the records and we had a radio show. It was pretty awesome … to do things you'd never done before.

**Hallinan:** The majority of the faculty and administration really took us under their wing. I was on scholarship and work-study. I would show up at registration and the staff would say, “Novotny, go on through. We'll talk later.” No bills paid, it was just, “we'll work it out later, go register.” I worked in the English department and they were incredible mentors for me. If members of the faculty saw me walking across campus with a boy, they'd say jokingly, “What's going on here? Are you two going out because I don't think he's good enough for you!” They were all really wonderful … like big brothers.
WOMEN OF THE MOUNT

Celebrating 40 Extraordinary Women

By Susan J. Burlingame

Mount Magazine
Forty years ago, in the late summer of 1972, Mount St. Mary’s College officially admitted women to its student body. Not surprisingly, the decision received little resistance from the all-male students! Any challenges and growing pains for the most part fell under the auspices of retrofitting men’s rest rooms to accommodate the fairer sex, or housing young women without encouraging after-hours interaction between male and female students.

Instead, the moment 40 years ago when women were officially admitted (several had taken classes through a joint agreement with all-female St. Joseph College, or through summer programs before then) marked the beginning of four decades of distinction. In sports. In student leadership and scholarship. In the arts and the sciences.

Women of the Mount are authors and artists, teachers and business leaders, attorneys, judges, scientists and healthcare providers. They are mothers and wives and advocates and innovators. And no matter where their paths have led them, they still call the Mount “home.”

Since 1972, the Mount has welcomed not only women students but also women faculty members, department chairs, and trustees. Its academic offerings have evolved as has the campus.

Enjoy these stories of 40 extraordinary Women of the Mount as we celebrate the 40th anniversary of their official arrival on campus.

Susan J. Burlingame is a freelance writer from Centre Hall, PA.
“When I was a very little girl, my father would always lift me up to drink the special mountain water where the Grotto now stands.”

Theresa Adams’ memories of the Mount date back to long before she was a student. Her father, the late Joseph O’Connell, was a proud graduate and Navy doctor who would take Theresa to campus to visit his brother. “Uncle Jimmy lived in Pangborn,” says Theresa, “so naturally that’s where I wanted to live when I attended.” Though she was one of the first women to live on campus, Theresa recalls being “perfectly welcome” and having many opportunities to get involved and learn and grow. “The Mount introduced me to some of the most influential professors I would ever have.” Most importantly, Theresa—mother of three and grandmother of two—says the Mount imbued her with an enduring commitment to “serving God’s people,” something she practiced first as a prosecutor, then as a private-practice attorney, and now every day when presiding in the courtroom.

“What do I like most about my job? The people. Everybody. The students, the staff, the faculty. I’m just a people person.”

Bessie Andrew has been a fixture at the Mount since 1962. An Emmitsburg resident since age 15, Bessie applied for work at the Mount when she was only 18 years old. “I worked down in the old kitchen and then worked for the priests and then came here,” Bessie said. She worked in a variety of positions, eventually landing in the bakery. “People tell me they love me every day,” she added. “I say ‘honey what can I get for you today’ and I tell them to have a good day. Sometimes we talk a little bit, and I hug and kiss some of them.” Bessie laughed when admitting that some people aren’t even interested in the baked goods. “Sometimes people come up just for a motherly hug and kiss.” She has fond memories of Father Delaney and Father DeLoy?, both now deceased. “They bantered with me and kept me a-going,” she said. “Now it’s the students who keep me a-going.”

“As religion seems to be eroding everywhere, it’s lovely knowing the Mount maintains its Catholic identity and instills a fundamental sense of right and wrong in today’s young people.”

Seeking better opportunities for their children, Jennifer Anderson’s parents immigrated to Baltimore from Dublin, Ireland when Jennifer was a young girl. One of six children, Jennifer looked for a Catholic school she could afford and found The Mount, which offered her a scholarship and work study positions. “The Mount, especially the English department, was energizing and stimulating,” she said, recalling experiences as an athlete, class president, and member of the drama society. Jennifer parlayed her English degree into a successful career in law, first as an attorney and eventually as a Superior Court Judge nominated by President George W. Bush. Her accomplishments have yielded a Special Commendation from the FBI and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (for work on the National Church Arson Task Force), the Atlantic Fellowship in Public Policy from the British Council, and other honors. Excited to bring her voice to the Mount’s Board, Jennifer said the hallmark of the Mount is the strong connections. “I hope we will do even more to engage alumni in the future.”

“The Mount and its ideals fueled my passion for what I wanted to do with my life.”

Because of the cooperative agreement between St. Joseph College and the Mount, Susan first attended classes before women were officially admitted. She vividly remembers walking through a classroom of 60 men and taking a seat at the back of the room. Despite such a potentially intimidating first experience, Susan said the Mount welcomed her and other women with open arms. “They really wanted us.” Wasting no time asserting herself, Susan became a resident assistant, dorm president, and a member of student government. These positions, combined with an excellent education, contributed to the strength of character and the skill set that helped Susan fulfill her dream to work in law enforcement. She became the first woman state trooper in Maryland, serving 24 years, as well as the first woman on the Mount’s National Alumni Board. Susan said she will always be connected to the Mount and to friends she made all those years ago. “A bit of my heart and soul will always be at the Mount.”
“There’s an underlying drive and perseverance in me. It’s tied to the faith I have in God—which was nurtured at the Mount.”

Though she attended basketball camp at the Mount as a youth, Susie Rowlyk never thought seriously about going there for college—until she became a standout in high school and was recruited by the Mount. “I had narrowed my choices to two schools, and I’m thankful every day that I chose the Mount.” Susie played basketball all four years, leading her team to conference championships, breaking records, and amassing numerous accolades. A biology major/chemistry minor, Susie played basketball in Europe for a few weeks after graduation before coming home, working for the U.S. Defense Department and then for ICON, a clinical research organization where she now manages clinical trials. Saying her professors, coaches, and teammates were extremely supportive, Susie is a wife and mother who credits the Mount for much more than sports-related memories. “At the Mount, I learned that even though there are challenges we face every day, I can rely on my strength and faith to help me through.”

“I appreciate the Mount more and more as I progress through my life and career.”

Born in Mississippi, Rebecca moved around a lot with her family, finally settling in Frederick, MD when she was in 10th grade. Wanting a small school that was close to her family, Rebecca chose the Mount “because I just got a feeling about the place.” A member of the honors program, the dance team, and other student organizations, Rebecca says an undergraduate research experience and outstanding professors influenced her decision to become a doctor. “I loved the Mount. It not only developed me intellectually but also as a person—a human being who can relate to others.” Recently married to “Mountie” Patrick Burke ’05, Rebecca says she stays very connected to her alma mater. “It’s really great that my husband and I will always have the shared experience of the Mount to connect us. He loved it too.”

“‘Basketball has given me everything except my husband [Jack ’79] and five kids,’” said Agnus Berenato, who, though she played basketball her whole life, never aspired to be a coach. “I wanted to be a campus minister—until someone told me I could do both.” A scholarship athlete at the University of North Carolina, Aggie didn’t feel at home there, even though her sisters attended as well. “I gave up my scholarship to come to the Mount. It was that important to me.” Aggie went from being a basketball player and an RA in the Pangborn “attic” to a commencement speaker for her beloved alma mater. After graduating with a degree in sociology, she coached at Rider College, Georgia Tech, and finally at the University of Pittsburgh where she sees herself as much more than simply a coach. “I am an educator trying to make a difference. I try to instill in my athletes a sense of gratitude because every day is a gift.”

“The Mount taught me about service and about my faith. Because of the Mount, I now what a good education is.”

Three weeks after graduating with political science degree, Kelly boarded a plane for Honduras, where she spent years living in an orphanage with 90 children, an experience that changed her life. “I always wanted to live in a third world country,” said Kelly. “It was one of the best decisions I ever made.” Kelly came to the Mount to play tennis, but found herself surrounded by wonderful friends and great opportunities through student government and campus ministry. “The Mount inspired me and prepared me to take on any challenge.” Now the mother of four—one of whom she adopted from Guatemala—Kelly taught Spanish in Harlem, worked with kids in inner city parishes in New York City, and returned to the Mount for her master’s degree in education. “The Mount played such an important role in my life and in my husband’s [Joseph, C’93],” says Kelly, who stays active on the Alumni Association. “The Mount has given me so much.”
“The Mount changed my life completely. I don’t think anything I’ve done since would have been possible.”

Raised in Philadelphia, Rose credits her high school principal, a diocesan priest, for recommending the Mount. “I think the first time I saw campus was on my first day of classes, and yet I look back so fondly on my college years.” An American History major, Rose was very involved with music and drama at the Mount but never had any idea she would one day win the Mary Higgins Clark award for a legal mystery novel. After graduation, Rose worked as a phlebotomist at a hospital and then attended law school. She became an attorney, practicing law in Washington State and in Massachusetts until she sold her first book, Absolute Certainty, written more or less as a personal exercise. Four books later and at work on a fifth, Rose, mother of two grown sons, continues to be awed by the trajectory of her life and career, whose success she attributes in part to the Mount. “I specifically remember realizing that I was learning how to think. The Mount was a great place to be a young adult and have your mind expanded.”

“Roses Connors, C’78
Award-Winning Author
Juris Doctor, Duke University

Anne Costigan, C’10
Former Teacher, Ecuador

The Mount made me a better person. It made me want to get to know other people and find out their stories.”

“There were so many things I wanted in a college, and the Mount had all of them,” said Anne Costigan. Admitting it took her a while to feel comfortable at the Mount, she said “getting involved made all the difference for me.” Anne took on challenges that were out of her comfort zone such as student government positions, service trips, and a semester abroad in the Czech Republic. Her student government work gave her the confidence to organize a dance marathon to raise money for the Working Boys’ Center in Quito, Ecuador—an activity that would figure prominently in her decision to teach in Ecuador after graduation. She spent a year teaching English, art, and living skills to children of different ages. What does the future hold for this young alumna? “I recently moved to Chicago and am looking for a job in sales. I’m not afraid to break out of my comfort zone and try new things—a confidence I developed during my time at the Mount.”

“Fhe Mount reinforced the values my parents instilled in me. I feel very blessed.”

From a Navy family, Karen traveled all over the world as a young girl, settling in Virginia Beach for high school. Though her sisters attended the University of Pittsburgh, Karen and her parents (an Italian immigrant father and American-born mother) were urged by a family friend to visit the Mount. “All three of us fell in love with the beauty, the setting, but more importantly the people,” she said. “Fast forward 30 years when I took my daughter to visit…and it was the exact same experience.” Karen remembers Friday nights at the “Rat,” the covered bridge off campus, and the grotto in springtime. Not content to become a banker with her business and finance degree, Karen joined the Navy, serving for eight years while developing skills she would leverage to succeed as a principal and then a senior vice president at a global consulting firm. “Respect and trust and honor—the Mount made them a much stronger part of who I was then and who I am today.”

Karen Mataldi Dahut, C’85
Senior Vice President, Booz Allen Hamilton
M.S., Systems Engineering, University of Southern California

Bettie Delaplaine
Honorary Degree Recipient
Former Trustee, Philanthropist

You don’t have to be Catholic to love the Mount.”

“I was a trustee for 16 years, and they called me their token Anglican,” joked Bettie Delaplaine, an Episcopalian who was raised Lutheran. Bettie is the wife of George Delaplaine, an ancestor of one of Frederick, Maryland’s first settlers, editor and publisher of the Frederick News Post, and a pioneer in the cable industry. Both on her own and as half of one of the region’s most influential couples, Bettie has played a pivotal role at the Mount for decades. She chaired the inaugural committee for President George Houston, served on the Bicentennial Committee, and served as honorary chair for President Powell’s inauguration. Philanthropists by nature and by tradition, Bettie and George established the Delaplaine Art Gallery and the Delaplaine Professorship for the Humanities, and they have provided additional resources in countless other ways. Why? “The Mount is contagious,” Bettie said. “I love the people, I love the whole thing—their academic approach and their religious devotion. It’s been a lot of fun too!”
“The Mount provides an environment anyone can thrive in because it is a supportive, faith-based community.”

Denise came to the Mount in September 1979, hired as its first Director of Recreation. “I’m not sure anyone knew what that title meant, but they had the vision to know the recreation program needed to be organized,” said Denise. She remembers walking into a small, empty office in what is now McGowan Hall. With a table (dragged in from the hallway) and one volleyball to start, Denise embarked on more than three decades of what has been “just a wonderful career.” She coached two sports, grew her staff to six full-time and three part-time people, served on countless committees, oversaw the building of the state-of-the-art Knott Arena, and interacted with thousands of students. “The people have kept me here all these years,” she reflected. “I love connecting with the students. I love the people I work with.” Women, she said, added an important dimension to the Mount. “They helped us offer a more holistic, well-rounded picture of the real world. Women have had a huge impact on the school.”

Denise Ditch
Director of Recreational Services and Operations, Mount St. Mary’s

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Pauline Engelstätter
Vice President, University Affairs
Honorary Degree, Mount St. Mary’s ’07

“The Mount really shaped the qualities I value in my friends and coworkers. I feel like I got a great education, I loved being there, and I would do it all again!”

Recruited to the Mount for track [she was a standout jumper in high school], Lani said the Mount was “the perfect cross section of everything I was looking for in a college.” A business major and English minor, Lani held a work-study position in the president’s office, participated in student government and clubs, and held a national position representing student athletes for the NCAA. She coached track at the Mount for a year after graduation and then did some public relations work, where she recognized the close ties between marketing and the law. She earned a master’s degree at Pitt and is now in a dual JD/ DCL program at Louisiana State University. Always interested in serving the underserved, Lani says the Mount reinforced those values. She hopes to champion programs for disadvantaged people in Louisiana and work for the government, “so I can have an impact at the policy level as well as travel throughout the country and the world to be an agent of positive change.”

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M.S. Law, University of Pittsburgh School of Law
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Professor Emerita,
History, Mount St. Mary’s University
“I love the students of the Mount. They are an unaffected, down-to-earth, genuine group of men and women who are a joy to teach.”

Before entering the Daughters of Charity, Sister Anne Higgins attended Mount sister school Saint Joseph College. “I had many friends at the Mount and even acted in some of the Mount’s theatrical productions,” she explained. Sister Anne earned her master’s degree and taught high school English for 15+ years before returning to the Mount to work in campus ministry and teach English and theology.

“God sent me the job at the Mount in the summer of 1999,” said Sr. Anne, who lives just two miles from campus at the Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton. “It was like a homecoming for me.” Anne attends alumni reunions for both Saint Joseph College and the Mount. “The Mount was wonderful for my teaching career as well as my writing career,” added Sr. Anne, who has since published five books of poetry. Pointing to Saint Elizabeth’s example, Sr. Anne encourages service among her students, who remind her of her friends at “Joe’s.” “Serving others is an important part of our Catholic identity and the mission of the Mount.”

“My wish for every student at the Mount is that they are as content and satisfied with their careers as I have been at the Mount.”

With the influx of women students in the early 1970s, the Mount needed a program in elementary education. Dr. Judy Ramoy Johnstone, an instructor at the University of Maryland, serendipitously found her way to the Mount to fulfill that need. A flyer about a job opportunity mistakenly went into her faculty mailbox, an accident leading to a fulfilling 28-year career at the Mount. Judy lived on Emmitt Avenue growing up, and ‘emet’ means ‘truth’ in Hebrew, she explained. “I believe in signs from God, and with all these signs, I thought what better place to pursue the truth than at this beautiful college in Emmitsburg with these wonderful people!” Judy developed the elementary education program, whose first graduating class in 1980 had four students. During Judy’s 15 year tenure as department chair, the education program grew into the Mount’s second largest program. “A warmth just permeated the place,” Judy said. “Even though I was the only Jewish professor on campus, I enjoyed everything about the Mount—mass, the traditions, and of course the people.”

Sister Anne Higgins
B.A., St. Joseph College ’70
M.A., Johns Hopkins University
Poet; Adjunct Professor, Mount St. Mary’s
Photo credit: Michael Hoover

Carol Houghton
Associate Professor of Canon Law, Mount St. Mary’s Seminary
Photo credit: Emily Albert

“When you think of how the Mount started in that beautiful valley, the saints who lived there, how the University grew, you realize what a special place it is.”

Intending to become a minister in the United Church of Christ, Carol Houghton went to Lancaster Theological Seminary. She converted to Catholicism on her way to earning her Master of Divinity degree, and during a pastoral year in El Paso, Texas met a bishop who recommended she further her Catholic education. “He sent me to Rome, where I planned to study scripture for two years,” she said. “I ended up staying for six—coming home with two doctorates.” Back in El Paso and wanting to be closer to home, Carol was introduced to the Mount “where I found out what God really had in mind for me.” She served five years as a faculty member at the seminary, leaving for two years to serve full time as Chancellor and Judge of the tribunal of the Diocese of Harrisburg. Carol returned to the Mount seminary in 1992, and since then has split her time between the diocese—as Chancellor and tribunal judge—and the Mount. “The Mount sends people with Catholic values out into the world to live their lives in the spirit of those who founded the college so long ago.”

“As a woman at the Mount, I never felt any disadvantage. I had access to anything. I hope the Mount grows and evolves but that it always stays like the home I remember.”

The daughter of Irish immigrants, Mary grew up in Wilmington, Delaware, where she often encountered people who loved the Mount. Father James Delaney was her pastor. Her guidance counselor was a Mount grad. When she finally visited the Mount, she said, “I could immediately see myself there.” Extremely involved on campus—student government secretary, cheerleader, resident assistant—Mary graduated and went to work for then Senator Joseph Biden, an experience that sparked her interest in government. She earned a law degree, worked in various government capacities, and ultimately served as Maryland’s Secretary of State. Today, Mary is the mother of three and married to a Mountie (John ’84). She is president/CEO of Sister Cities International, a non-profit company that formalizes cultural exchanges between U.S. and foreign cities. “The Mount gave me the confidence to do things I probably wouldn’t have tried had I not been in an atmosphere where I was accepted and encouraged.”

Judy Ramoy Johnstone, Ph.D.
Professor Emerita, Education, Mount St. Mary’s University

Mary Deely Kane, C’84
Maryland Secretary of State 2005–06
President’s Medal Recipient
Trustee

Photo credit: Michael Hoover
“Aggressively pursue your education, become strong advocates for yourselves, and avail yourselves of all the opportunities the Mount offers you.”

Martha Kenney was one of 23 women in the inaugural class of 1976, but she graduated a year early, one of five women to do so. Proud to be “one of the pioneer women of the Mount,” Martha advises future Mountie women to take full advantage of their experience. Very involved as a student, Martha says a pre-graduation Alumni Association event sparked her interest in getting involved after graduation. She became a leader on the Alumni Association Board and served for eight years on the Board of Trustees. From the first time she attended mass at Immaculate Conception Chapel until today, Martha says the Mount has been an important part of her life. “I always felt very encouraged and connected,” she recalls. Recipient of the Mount’s Presidential Medal at the 2012 Commencement, the successful mother of three says she was thrilled and humbled by the honor. “There’s something about the Mount that unites people. No matter where I go, I am proud to identify myself as a graduate of Mount St. Mary’s.”

“I literally grew up at the Mount, and it will always be integral to my life.”

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Alice Rooney Mahoney, C’86
Trustee, Mother of Six
Legacy Family Member

Alice, the third of six children, is part of a Mount legacy. Her father, his brother, and their cousin all went to the Mount, graduating in 1960. When Alice’s two older siblings chose other universities, Alice’s father wasn’t taking any chances. “The Mount was the only school he took me to visit,” Alice laughed. At her father’s urging, she chose the Mount, “and I was very happy that I did.” While there, she met her husband Sean’86, who was also a member of a Mount legacy family. She and Sean married within a year of graduation and had six children over the next eight years—their oldest son graduated from the Mount. Now a Mount trustee, Alice is also part of another legacy—she is the granddaughter of Art Rooney, the founding owner of the Pittsburgh Steelers. “My grandfather is the real reason we all went to the Mount,” Alice explained. “He used to stop and pray at the grotto during his travels, and he fell in love with the place.”

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“What I loved the most was the relationships I was able to create not only with my professors but also with the academic staff.”

Gracelyn came to the U.S. from Barbados when she was only three, eventually landing in Frederick County, where she attended high school. She was accepted at three Maryland universities but in the end yielded to her mother’s choice: the Mount. A member of the honors program, Gracelyn was involved in a variety of student organizations, but it was the Mount’s “Socratic environment” she valued most. Admitting she took a circuitous route to her current position—first attending and leaving grad school, then having a difficult time finding a job—Gracelyn eventually earned her MBA and now serves as senior director of project management for a Rockville-based company focusing on government and military health care research. On the president’s council since 2010, Gracelyn, now a wife and mother of two, stays involved in order to give back. “I remember being challenged to think for myself and to dig deep. I want to play a role in making sure the Mount continues to do just that.”
“For my daughter and for future generations, I hope the Mount continues to offer a good, solid academic foundation as well as a foundation in faith, respect, loyalty, and friendship.”

“I attended Catholic elementary school and Catholic High School and was recruited by the Mount to play basketball,” said Karla, whose parents were thrilled she would also attend a Catholic college. A psychology major at the Mount, Karla’s impressive basketball career landed her in the University’s hall of fame, but she really hit her stride after graduation. She took a job working with individuals with autism, which sparked a lifelong passion for helping developmentally disabled adults. “I came to believe people with developmental disabilities could and should be productive members of society,” Karla said. Married to her husband, Derick for 27 years and the mother of Kristopher and Kristina (who attends the Mount), Karla now works for Montgomery College, where she pioneered the first college program in the nation for developmentally disabled adults, helping them not only get an education but also find meaningful work experiences and social outlets. “The Mount and its faculty instilled in me the importance of faith in all aspects of your life.”

“The Mount created a community of kindness and caring. I loved being able to be in a place where mass was celebrated, where scripture was discussed, where people shared my faith.”

Diana had her mind set on going to St. Joseph when she heard it had closed, but one visit to the Mount made her disappointment melt away. “Coming to the Mount opened up a whole new world to me,” said Diana, who chose business because the Mount didn’t have a nursing program. Very involved as a student, Diana was lunch-time disc jockey, writer for the Mountain Echo, and an intramural softball player. Women at the Mount “had lots of opportunities to let our gifts shine,” she said. A year-long internship with the U.S. Treasury led to a happy 15-year career, but a move to Long Island with her husband and son helped Diana find her true vocation as a full-time volunteer, helping those who are less fortunate. She now serves as an unpaid executive director for the Long Island Volunteer Center, which serves tens of thousands of people every year. “The Mount provided the foundation for the woman I was to become…and I’m still growing.”

“The Mount helped me break out of my comfort zone and develop a greater sense of confidence. My professors helped me understand my place in the greater world.”

“Mount blood runs very deep in my family…and I didn’t want to go there!” With many Mount graduates on both sides of her family, Fran fully expected to break with tradition. “I was into sports, though, and since the Mount was recently coed, I came around to thinking it would be great to go there.” Fran played five different sports, held a work study job, participated in student government and clubs, and played guitar and sang at church and campus coffeehouses. “Notwithstanding the small number of women on campus, the Mount still encouraged us to strive for whatever we wanted to do,” said Fran. Now a county prosecutor, Fran uses the confidence she developed at the Mount every day. “The Mount is a place where people can find themselves and exploit the talents they have in a nurturing environment.” Now on the advisory board for the Mount’s pre-law program, Fran—mother of three—looks forward to meeting today’s students. “I’m always proud to say I’m a Mountie!”

“I loved everything about the Mount. The grounds…the Grotto…it is one of the most beautiful places in the world.”

One of the few women who attended the Mount in summers before the University went coed, Faye Pappalardo rode her Mount education to inspirational heights. She studied abroad in France. She earned two master’s degrees and a doctorate and attended Harvard University’s Institute for the Management of Lifelong Education on her way to the presidency at Carroll Community College. Despite studying at some of the nation’s top universities, Faye reflects on her time at the Mount fondly—from the beauty of its grounds to the quality of professors. “At the Mount, I had some of the finest professors I had in all my education,” she said. Through the years, Faye has received numerous accolades for her leadership and commitment, and she has been instrumental in advancing Carroll’s campus and educational program. Admitting she never specifically aspired to be a college president, Faye practiced the advice she now offers to Carroll students and graduates of the Mount: “Whatever you are doing, do your best and be passionate about it. People and opportunities will come to you.”
“I wouldn’t trade my experience at the Mount for the world.”

“What didn’t I do at the Mount?” Chenniah Patrick asked rhetorically. A communications and Spanish major, Chenniah took advantage of every opportunity during her Mount years. She was a Mount ambassador, a writer for the school newspaper, and president of the Black Student Union. She studied abroad in Costa Rica. “There were so many opportunities for leadership,” she said. After graduation, Chenniah moved to New York to work in advertising when she realized a different calling. She joined Americorps, teaching English in Washington, D.C., and realized she had a gift for teaching. “I never realized how many Americans are unable to read or write,” she explained. Another calling came when her daughter Zamora Muse Patrick was born on Christmas day, 2009. While nursing her baby, Chenniah could find no literature promoting breastfeeding—from the child’s perspective—in the African community. Together with her artist husband Vincent Patrick, Chenniah wrote and published This Milk Tastes Good, a nursery rhyme book about breastfeeding. Zamora is the main character. “I’m now using my Mount education to help others grow.”

“It was a joy for me to be able to work with my dad at the Mount. I learned so much from him, not just about the business of intercollegiate athletics, but about conducting oneself with honesty, integrity, and character.”

Though she graduated in 1979, Lynne has been at the Mount since long before women were admitted in 1972. The daughter of storied and beloved coach, Jim Phelan, Lynne and her four siblings quite literally grew up at the Mount. A political science major, Lynne was also a three-sport student-athlete at the Mount, and she loved every second of it. Originally intending to go to law school after graduation, Lynne soon found a profession that suited her more, and she began her career in intercollegiate athletics. Lynne gained valuable experience as a coach and an athletic administrator and was named the Mount’s first female Athletic Director in 2007. “The opportunity to be a student-athlete, a coach, and an administrator at the Mount has been such a privilege for me. I feel blessed to have been a part of the wonderful Mount community for so many years.”

Megan N. Ritchey, C’12
Magic Kingdom Operations Staff, Walt Disney World

“I wanted a college with Catholic values, small class sizes, and community involvement,” said Megan, who recently graduated from the Mount with a communications degree. “The Mount had everything I was looking for.” Megan quickly became the consummate busy student. She held a work study job in the library, was treasurer and then vice president of her class, became a Mount Ambassador, led service trips in the U.S. and abroad, and interned in the Mount’s communications and conference office. During the fall of her senior year, Megan spent a semester at Disney World in Florida, where she worked with the Magic Kingdom Main Street Operations and attended classes at Disney University. “Disney reinforced the values I learned at the Mount; they treat every guest with respect and integrity,” Megan said. She began her career with the Disney Company in June, hired, no doubt, because of her strong work ethic and enthusiasm. “I’m going to miss my Mount family, but I am very excited about my future. The Mount helped me fulfill my dreams.”

“The Mount has broadened my horizons and deepened my Catholic faith, values, and leadership skills.”

“Rehabs” Old Houses

“One of the Mount’s great strengths is its community. Through the faculty and my friends, I developed intellectual confidence. It was the threshold experience of my life”

“When people ask me ‘what’s your career,’ I tell them I have a ‘career,’” said Kathe, whose life has had “no trajectory” but rather has been a series of serendipitous experiences. “I’ve always been entrepreneurial and able to weave my experiences with creativity, but there’s always been a thread connecting me to the Mount.” Kathe was the first woman president of student government and an RA while she pursued her history degree, and she remembers “having a voice” at the Mount. “What I had to say mattered,” she said. Through an internship at Broadway producer Manny Azenberg’s office, Kathe became an assistant to an inspiring creative mentor, actor/singer Mandy Patinkin. The work grew from gopher to script reader to writer in theater and television. Today, she is using her creativity and business skills to rehabilitate old homes, design custom jewelry, and write a novel. “There’s no end of to the tapestry of people connected to the Mount, no matter where you are.”
“We spend a lot of time at the Mount talking about people’s vocations. I hope students find through their experiences here what they are called to do.”

“Having graduated from the Mount, I knew what it was all about,” said Dana Ward when asked why she returned to her alma mater to teach. “I knew there were wonderful students and enthusiastic faculty members. It’s the kind of atmosphere that I wanted to be a part of.” After extensive postgraduate education and years of research, Dana realized she wanted to work where she could involve undergraduate students in research. She applied to several liberal arts schools and was thrilled to be offered a position at the Mount. In her lab, Dana and her students conduct research related to cardiovascular disease. “The students are the hands of the projects. They are so enthusiastic about learning,” she explained, adding that some become coauthors on papers and present at conferences. “Dana and her husband Colin ’94, whom she met at an alumni event, have two sons. Dana said being a scientist at a faith-based institution is very positive. “It is really nice to be able to discuss the Catholic intellectual tradition and how it relates to our work.”

“My parents made education a priority and sacrificed a lot to give me the opportunity to attend the Mount. Out of gratitude to them, I promised myself I would use my education to the best of my ability and try to make the world a better place along the way.”

“Even though it was a cold rainy day when I first visited the Mount with my father, we both fell in love with it,” said Diane, a first generation of Irish Catholic immigrants. She chose the Mount because of her interest in politics and the Mount’s proximity to Washington, D.C. Diane served as vice president of the College Republicans, and studied abroad in London, working for a member of Parliament under Margaret Thatcher. Immediately after graduating, Diane moved to D.C. and landed a job with then Vice President George Bush—which began a long career serving in the federal government and in non-profit and private sectors. Today, Diane runs the National Association of Women Business Owners, the largest trade association representing women entrepreneurs. Married and the mother of three, Diane is a former Mount trustee. “The Mount is a very special place. I’ve always felt very close to God there.”

“I loved my time at the Mount. It was a great four years of my life and I just hope my kids will want to go there.”

On her first visit to the Mount, Amy felt a sense of family. “I was impressed with both the students and the faculty,” she said. Though early in her life she aspired to become a lawyer, Amy decided in high school she wanted to work for the FBI. The Mount provided not only the perfect educational background—she majored in Spanish and sociology with a criminal justice concentration—but also opportunities to hone her skills. She was secretary of her class, a member of the sociology and Spanish clubs, and a member of the hearing and appeals committee. She also played intramural sports. Upon graduation, Amy was hired as a criminal investigator for the State of New Jersey. Accepted into the FBI in 1996, Amy, the mother of four, is now a Special Agent working in the crimes against children unit. “I really feel like I’m making a difference,” she said. “The Mount never limited my opportunities and while there I was encouraged to pursue employment with the FBI.”

“Who we are is so much more important than what we do. The Mount and its people helped me realize there was a religious vocation in me.”

The only Catholic girl in her high school, Megan Wertner looked for a college where she could make Catholic friends “and maybe even find a Catholic husband,” she laughed. All things came together at the Mount, where Megan joined the golf team, played percussion in band, and found places on campus to pray. “I like to joke that I became a sister because of peer pressure,” said Megan, a communications major and honors program student. “My friends were so fired up about their faith. They talked about discerning. It wasn’t about trying to explore what I wanted to do with my life, it was about finding out what God wanted me to do.” Inspired not only by friends but also by seminarians, priests, and faculty members, Megan followed her heart, entering the convent after graduation and becoming Sister Karolyn Grace of the Franciscan Sisters Minor in Fort Wayne, Indiana, a community that will soon become cloistered as the Poor Sisters of St. Claire. “God has a special plan for each one of us, and it’s a great adventure to discover what that is. Mount St. Mary’s is the ideal place and setting to find out what your calling is.”
If I could go back anywhere in time, the Mount is where I would go.”

Judy is CEO and Chief Creative Officer of dingles & company, a multi-media company that develops edutainment properties to empower children. She runs another company, Zocchi Integrated Media, and a foundation. She’s written over 100 children’s books, and she won a national award for volunteer fundraising. Judy raised the funds to establish a Brain Tumor Center in memory of her late husband, David ’82, whom she met at the Mount, and she is a champion of brain cancer education and awareness. Attending the Mount simply because a friend recommended it, Judy dove headfirst into the experience. A fine arts and theater major, she was the first student to direct a parent’s weekend production. She was an RA and was involved campus ministry, Sock n Buskin and other student organizations. She has lectured on campus and volunteered as a class agent for the Mount Annual Fund. “Everything I do and have done on every level…I experimented with those skills at the Mount,” Judy said. “At every milestone in my life—every joy and sorrow—a fellow Mountie was there.”

“It doesn’t matter what you decide to do as a woman—work in the business world or the education world or be a stay-at-home mother—the Mount goes with you. It’s an incredible network of wonderful people.”

— Jennifer Stocker Buckles

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“It’s a sign, Deb, it’s a sign!” remarked Marvin Stocker, the father of three girls and a St. Bonaventure graduate, when he first heard the bells of Mount St. Mary’s. They reminded him of his alma mater, and he was a great proponent of Catholic higher education.

“Honestly, I’m not sure exactly why I chose the Mount, but I’m sure my dad had something to do with it,” says Debbie, a Mount lacrosse pioneer and mother of two who paved the way for both of her sisters to attend the Mount as well. Though her reasons for choosing the Mount were nebulous at first, Deb realized within a year how lucky she was.

The Mount, she says, fostered in her a love of learning and a drive to do something meaningful with her life. In addition to playing lacrosse, she participated in as many activities as possible, studied abroad in Spain, and went to Russia on Spring Break with one of her sisters. “I realized how small the world was and how I could use my faith and my gifts to help others.” Debbie volunteered in Costa Rica for six months after graduation, worked in the business world, and finally found her calling, to be a teacher, when she started working where her sons attended preschool.

Debbie is as surprised as anyone that her sisters, Jenny and Annie, would also choose the Mount.

“I was adamant that I was not going to the Mount,” laughs Jenny, daughter number two, who was won over by the Mount’s atmosphere and people. “When I actually decided to go, I was in the car with my father, and he was so excited he almost drove off the road.”

“My experience at the Mount is a core piece of who I am to this day,” says Jenny, a Hall of Fame lacrosse player who also participated in campus ministry and in student government. “The heart and soul of the Mount just took over me, and I was glad my sister was there.”

Touting the Mount’s focus on the liberal arts and how “faith was intertwined with our education,” Jenny, the mother of two boys and an IBM software sales rep, stays connected to her friends and her alma mater. “The Mount is one of the greatest places on earth.”

“I was never going to the Mount,” chimes Annie, sister number three, who, though her sisters are her best friends, wasn’t going to live in their shadow. A weekend visiting Jenny, however, changed Annie’s mind completely. “Aside from having my children, my four years at the Mount turned out to be the greatest four years of my life.”

While earning her business degree, Annie participated in student government and the yearbook staff. She also met her husband Kevin ’99 and made friends who would, in Annie’s words, “make my heart soar,” in the future.

Annie and Kevin have three children, the first of whom, Maggie, was born with Down’s syndrome. “When Maggie was born our family and friends from the Mount surrounded us with overwhelming love and support, and they continue to support us today,” Annie says. Today, Maggie is a healthy, active five-year-old and the inspiration for “Maggie’s Mounties,” a team of 60 or so people associated with the Mount who take the Polar Bear Plunge every year to raise funds for the Special Olympics. Annie says they are a living testament to what the values the Mount promotes. “It opens your eyes to the bigger picture.”

At three sisters say the Mount is like “home” to them. Their parents, Marvin and Donna, agree and have been generous philanthropists, supporting the Mount in a variety of ways, not the least of which has been giving the Mount three wonderful alumnae.
Mount Athletics

JAMION CHRISTIAN NAMED MEN’S BASKETBALL COACH

Mount St. Mary’s University named Jamion Christian, C’04, as head men’s basketball coach in March — becoming the 22nd head coach in the history of the program.

“We are excited to welcome Jamion Christian back to his alma mater,” said Lynne Robinson, director of athletics. “Jamion’s successful Division I playing and coaching experience perfectly positions him to guide our program. We are thrilled that Jamion has returned to the Mount and we look forward to his leadership in the years to come.”

Christian, 29, was an assistant coach at Virginia Commonwealth last season, helping guide the Rams to the third round of the 2012 NCAA Tournament. VCU won the Colonial Athletic Association Tournament title and finished with a school-record 29 wins, and led the NCAA in steals and steals per game.

“I am both thrilled and humbled to be returning to the Mount,” said Christian. “I look forward to bringing energy and enthusiasm to our historic program one passionate day at a time. I am so excited to work with our players currently here and with our incoming freshmen. I truly believe they are not only talented, but have proven to have tremendous character by how they respond to adversity. I believe in our leadership, our campus, and our community to help us return our program to prominence in the NEC.”

Prior to his time at VCU, Christian spent three years at William & Mary — helping to usher in a new era of basketball. The Tribe made their second postseason appearance in school history in 2010 and recorded the third most wins in school history with 22.

On the recruiting trail, he aided in the Tribe’s 2010 recruiting class that ranked among the best in “Mid-Major” classes in the country and the best in the CAA by ESPN.com and Scouts, Inc. During his time with William & Mary, Christian was responsible for recruiting in Virginia, Texas and the Washington, D.C. region.

Prior to his time with the Tribe, he spent two seasons as the director of basketball operations at Bucknell University, and two seasons as an assistant coach at Emory & Henry.

As a player, Christian was a three-year captain at the Mount, scoring 581 points in 90 career games and 56 starts. He led the Mount in scoring at 11.3 points per game in 2001-02 and averaged 8.2 points the following season.
MEN’S GOLF EARNS NEC TITLE
The Mount men’s golf team earned the program’s first NEC title and advanced to the NCAA Regionals for the first time in team history this spring.

The Mount came into the final round nine strokes ahead of Fairleigh Dickinson and Sacred Heart. The Mount had two players card a one-over score of 73 and two players post a five-over day of 77 to card a 300 as a team to help the Mountaineers win the title by 18 strokes.

Kevin Ellison was the Mount’s top golfer after finishing the three-day event with a score of 222 and in third place — the first top-5 standing by a Mount golfer since 1998.

Devin O’Grady finished two strokes behind Ellison and in fifth place with a three-day score of 224. It marks the second-straight year O’Grady finished in the top-10 at the NEC Championships after placing ninth last year. O’Grady becomes the fifth Mount golfer to finish in the top-10 twice in his career and the first since current head coach Kevin Farrell finished there in 2007 and at the NCAA East Regional in Greensboro, N.C., Mount St. Mary’s shot a 300 on the final day to finish tied for 13th place.

INTRODUCING NEC FRONT ROW
Mount St. Mary’s fans can follow their favorite Mount teams live this year on NEC Front Row — an online digital network with multi-platform access launched in August. Developed in partnership with Pack Network, NEC Front Row features a rich set of content, including live events, on-demand video, highlight packages, coaches shows, features, original programming and access to league’s extensive digital library, all free of charge to users. The network gives fans free inside access to the stories from across the Northeast Conference and its student-athletes on the field, in the classroom, across campus, and in the community.

The online digital network features a state-of-the-art game viewer to enhance how fans follow the action. Users have the option to watch up to six live events simultaneously and a host of interactive fan components — including in-game chat, Twitter feeds, Facebook posts and Instagram photo sharing — to provide a rich in-game social media experience.

Mount St. Mary’s will be streaming home men’s and women’s soccer, swimming, men’s and women’s basketball and men’s and women’s lacrosse games live this season.

MOUNT ALUM COACHES DECATHLETE TO OLYMPIC GOLD
Mount St. Mary’s alum Harry Marra, C’69 coached the “world’s greatest athlete” to Olympic gold in London this summer as Ashton Eaton achieved what is considered by many as the most coveted honor at the Olympics, winning the gold medal in the decathlon.

Marra began coaching Eaton in 2009 when he began working for the University of Oregon. With Marra’s help, Eaton claimed the NCAA indoor heptathlon and outdoor decathlon crowns on the way to winning the 2011 Bowerman Award as the nation’s top male collegiate athlete. Marra also coaches Eaton’s fiancée, Brianne Theisen, a three-time NCAA champion for Oregon in the heptathlon, a seven-event test for women. Theisen finished 11th out of 39 competitors.

As a student-athlete at the Mount, Marra played soccer and competed in three decathlons under renowned coach Jim Deegan.
JOIN THE 1808 LEGACY SOCIETY

We write part of our story each day — a story that becomes a legacy passed down to the next generation. As a “Mountie,” an important part of your life’s story is your relationship with Mount St. Mary’s University. Through your time at the Mount, you were nurtured in your faith and educated for a life of meaningful work and service to others.

Now, you have the opportunity to create a lasting legacy of generosity that will shape the future of the Mount and ensure your alma mater remains a premier Catholic University. You are invited to join the 1808 Legacy Society — previously known as the Chinquapin Society — comprised of a distinguished group of people who include the Mount in their estate plans.

By providing the Mount in your will or establishing a planned gift, you will ensure that future generations of students have the opportunity to deepen their faith, pursue discovery, cultivate leadership skills, and serve the greater community.

WAYS TO JOIN THE 1808 LEGACY SOCIETY INCLUDE:

• **Providing for Mount St. Mary’s in your will.** This is perhaps the simplest way to incorporate the Mount into your estate plans (and a great way for people of all income levels to create a legacy). With the help of an advisor, you can include language in your will or trust that specifies the Mount as a beneficiary. Or, you may add a codicil to your existing will. Your gift may be a specified amount or a percentage of your estate.

• **Gifts of life insurance** are another simple way to include the Mount in your estate plans. Simply ask your insurance company for the forms to name us as owner or beneficiary of the policy.

• **Life income gifts**, such as charitable gift annuities and charitable remainder trusts, allow you to provide for your philanthropic wishes while receiving guaranteed income for life.

There are many more options to consider. Find in-depth information about each type of gift and explore additional planned giving vehicles at [www.msmary.edu/plannedgiving](http://www.msmary.edu/plannedgiving).

To receive personalized information, contact Frank Sneeringer, director of development, at 301-447-5361 or sneeringer@msmary.edu.

WERE YOU PART OF THE 25%?

The Mount Annual Fund had a very successful year, reaching 25% alumni participation and $2.9 million raised. More than 3,500 Mounties supported the Mount in 2011-12!

Thank you for joining with us!
A NEED FOR GROWTH

Mount student-athletes are committed to making a difference. They compete — and succeed — against the nation’s best, and are true ambassadors of the University. They also thrive under the same rigorous curriculum all Mount students face, while remaining an integral part of the University community.

Members of the Mount Club share that same commitment to the highest level of excellence that is so characteristic of this University. You can have an immediate impact on the lives of Mount St. Mary’s student-athletes by participating as an annual member of The Mount Club.

THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUR DONATIONS

Annual giving to the Mount Club bridges the important funding gap that allows Mount Athletics to recruit, educate and train the best and brightest student-athletes within our Division I athletic program. As a Mount Club member, you enjoy the pride of investing in our student-athletes and their success, and your membership makes their success possible. The 2010-11 campaign increased membership to more than 600 donors, and you can help build upon that momentum by making a gift today!

For more information, contact Chris McFarlane, director of athletic development, at 301-447-5035 or mcfarlane@msmary.edu.

SCHOLAR ATHLETES. Michael Foster, C’12, baseball, was NEC Male Scholar Athlete of the Year. Foster, a biology major, is now at the University of MD Medical School.

Gigi Gibilisco, C’11, (indoor and outdoor track), Megan Kinsella, C’13, (outdoor track), Mike Salomon, C’14, (men’s tennis) and Mark Quaranta, C’13, (baseball) earned the NEC’s scholar-athlete of the year award for their respective sports as well.

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A EXPERIENCING RESEARCH. JOSELL, C’13, calls Salzburg, Maryland home, while NGOCHIEU, C’13, is originally from Vietnam. Although they grew up in a world apart, they share a unique distinction. Josell and Ngochieu are the first two participants in the Mount’s Summer Research Internship Program—which provides students with the opportunity to work one-on-one with faculty members on publication-quality research.

COSTA RICA. A group of students, staff and alumni built sidewalks for a school in the poverty-stricken rainforest area of Tortuguero, and took school supplies for the children. They also visited the Volcan Arenal, one of the 10 most active volcanoes in the world.

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Class of 1992

Class of 1997

Class of 2002

Class of 2007

Class of 2012
BRUTÉ MEDAL PRESENTATION

An organization grows and succeeds in direct proportion to the quality of its leadership and the support of its members. The Mount St. Mary’s University National Alumni Association over the years has succeeded and grown because of dedicated men and women serving as leaders and working as members.

The Simon Bruté Medal is presented in recognition of the highest honor conferred upon an alumnus by the National Alumni Association. Bruté medal recipients have distinguished themselves throughout their career through a commitment to their community, and service to humanity.

This year the National Alumni Association had the honor of awarding this prestigious award to three distinguished alumni: Lou Armelin, C’62; J. Scott Wilfong, C’72 and Tom Looney, C’81. This was the 49th awarding of this annual award.

Scan the QR code with your smartphone to watch Timecapsule video, or visit www.msmary.edu/alumni.
1944
- Robert Nevins

1946
Rev. Harry Lewis, C’46, S’50, celebrated his 100th birthday on September 19, 2011 making him the oldest priest in the Diocese of Scranton and the only priest in the diocese 143 year history to reach this milestone! A belated Happy Birthday, Fr. Lewis!

1949
- John W. Burkhard
- Thomas B. Grasberger

1950
- Bernard Jacobs

1951
- Eugene Bogatko

1952
- Mr. J.R. Ridenour
- John F. O’Neill

1953
- Mr. Leo Edward Gribbin

1954
- Thomas Brown
- Leo E. Green

1955
- Jack McMullen

Andrew Gordon, son of Hank Gordon, C’55, has been nominated by Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid and President Obama, for appointment as a Federal Court Judge for Nevada. Andrew is a graduate of Harvard Law School. Hank and four of his children are practicing lawyers in Nevada, California, and New Mexico.

1957
- Benjamin Giocca
- John D. Graham
- Jim Quinn

Dr. Joe Smith, C’57, “Doc” Smith was inducted into the National Senior Softball Hall of Fame, headquartered in Mustang, Oklahoma. Joe began playing softball on Long Island in 1960; he helped to establish the Town of Smithtown Adult Softball League, and the Long Island Church League. During his 19+ years of playing senior softball, Dr. Smith has played in 10 national tournaments per year in various associations. He has also served as representative on the National Advisory Board of the National Senior Softball Summit. After retiring from his dentistry practice, he accepted a position at Carteret Community College, where he is teaching today. Congratulations Joe!!!

1958
- Dan Monagle

1959
- John Bailey
- James Ganley

James Tompkins, Ph.D., C’59, is Professor Emeritus, Department of Reading Education and Special Education; Reich College of Education, Appalachian State University, Boone, NC. Dr. Tompkins received numerous honors throughout his tenure and enjoyed a national reputation throughout his career. He volunteers for the Charolite, NC Public School System and was a founding sponsor of the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial Project and the Pope John Paul Memorial in New York City.

1960
- Michael Meyer

1961
- William McCarron
- Karl Miller
- Charles J. Shimkus

Dom Forker, C’61, recently published his 30th baseball book—Joe DiMaggio and Ted Williams, Baseball’s Greatest Player and Baseball’s Greatest Hitter. He calls it “a memory book,” which takes readers back to the end of the Great Depression, when DiMaggio and Williams were memorizing baseball fans all across America on a daily basis.

1962
- Louis T. Armelin
- Michael L. McCarthy
- Stephen Weber
- William Zimmerman

1963
- Col. “Jack” Lauer

Jack Bransfield, C’63, recently received the 2012 Impact Award from The Child Center of NY in recognition of his “innovation in business and record of service to disadvantaged children.”

1965
- Nicholas G. Otzel

1966
- John Kaheny
- Michael Sneed
- John F. Toale

Francis L. Delmonico, C’66, has been elected President of The Transplantation Society; The Transplantation Society has more than 5000 members and it has representation in more than 100 countries with organ transplant services around the world. Dr. Delmonico is also appointed to the Benemerenti, an honor conferred by Pope Benedict XVI in recognition of outstanding and meritorious service to the Holy See.

The West Reading Summer Basketball League founded in 1965 by Ed Kuhn, C’63, recently renamed the leagues court in his honor — The Edward J. Kuhn, Jr. Courts. Though Ed has been the commissioner of the League since it started, this honor came as a complete surprise. Bobby Reese, C’76, and former league player spoke at the ceremony and described Ed as a friend and mentor.

Walt Robinson and his classmates enjoyed a mini reunion in February, 2012. In the photo are: Dr. Jose Rodriguez, Walt Robinson, Joe Danek, Neil McLeod, George Knipfing, Tony Stromberg, Joe Bigham, Carl Verdi; all Class of 1963.

1964
- Mr. George R. Gelles

Fr. Bill Brisotti, C’64, pastor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, Wyandanch, recently opened the parish’s new outreach center. The building replaces one that was destroyed in a 2007 fire. Until the new center was built, the outreach was working out of a makeshift center with two rented trailers and several storage receptacles.

1969
- Dan Curtin, C’64

Dan Curtin, C’64, received the Benemerenti Award during the Seton Awards ceremony in October, 2011. The Benemerenti Medal is conferred by Pope Benedict XVI in recognition of outstanding and meritorious service to the Holy See.

Cardinal Donald Wuerl, archbishop of Washington and Past Reverend Paul S. Loverde, Diocese of Arlington, presented the award to Dan, whose entire professional life has been devoted to Catholic education.
as an Advisor to the World Health Organization in matters of organ donation and transplantation. Dr. Delmonico is a past president (2005) of United Network of Organ Sharing (UNOS) that oversees the practice of organ donation and transplantation in the United States. He remains medical director of the New England Organ Bank which he has served for the past 20 years. Dr. Delmonico is also Emeritus Director of Renal Transplantation at the Massachusetts General Hospital and Professor of Surgery, Harvard Medical School. In 2004, Dr. Delmonico received the NAA’s Bruté Medal.

1967
- Bartholomew Dixon

1968
- John J. Gallagher
- Harry Slaughter

1969
- Thomas Pruitt

Harry Marra, C’69, coached Ashton Eaton the “World’s Greatest Athlete” a title earned by Eaton after winning a gold medal in the Decathlon at the 2012 Summer Olympics. See page 25 for more.

1970
- James F. Clarke
- Larry Donato

Chrysostomos Robert Geis, S.S.B., C’70, recently completed his last work, Exegesis and the Synoptics, which will be published in October by Rowman and Littlefield. He is now preparing his next work, Life of Christ.

John C. McCauley, C’70, has joined Wiseman Ashworth Law Group, PLC as Of Counsel. McCauley will work with the firm’s attorneys on complex medical malpractice cases and advise its clients on risk-management issues.

1971
- Jack Ellis
- Joe Kulick
- George J. Savastano, Jr.

1972
- Frank G. Lidinsky
- James Mannion

Frank Lidinsky, C’72, was recently featured in the Baltimore Post Examiner for his collection of Beatles memorabilia. Franks collection includes thousands of items he has organized in chronological order, including every 45 and album that John, Paul, George and Ringo ever made. He has been a Beatles fan since he was 13 years old.

Michael G. Plumley C’72, and Judy M. Pierson were married June 23, 2012 at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Annandale, NJ. This was the first marriage for both. They originally met each other in 1982 and dated briefly while Michael was living in Central NJ. He moved out of the area and then moved back and met her again in 2008. This time something clicked.

Michael is a Reference Librarian at East Orange NJ Public Library. Judy is a B.A. candidate in Early Childhood Education at Caldwell College’s satellite campus at Raritan Valley Community College, Branchburg, NJ. They presently live in Bridgewater, NJ.

1973
- Mr. Norman Paul Abess
- Thomas McKeever
- John Suchy
- Mark J. Swetley

Bill Patterson, C’73, was on a Paris River cruise with family and friends when he ran into a group of Mounties on a group vacation. Pete O’Hagan, C’54; Joe Homing, C’53; Richard Kelly, C’54; Bill Patterson, C’73; Ward Clark, C’54; Tibby Broun, C’54; and Leo Green, C’54. Bill notes: “You never know when you’re going to meet a former Mountie Grad! The group closed the bar down many a night on the River cruise!”

Bill also writes that he retired from his position as Sales & Mkt. Account Mgr at the Norfolk Southern Railroad after 38 years of working and offers this advice to future graduates: “You can’t always get what you want. But if you try sometimes, you just might find, you get what you need.”

John A. Wojtecki, C’73, earned a PhD in education from Capella University.

1974
- Michael P. Connolly
- George Randell

Robert Koch, C’75, Senior District Sales Manager for Collette Vacations was honored at the company’s annual sales meeting held in Ponto Delgada, Azores in April. He was awarded the salesman of the year for the 18th consecutive year. The award honors the individual who generates the most sales revenue in the previous year.

1975
- Michael P. Connolly
- George Randell

C. Newton Weaver, Jr., C’75, is a member of the Nineteenth Century Committee of the Society for American Baseball Research (SABR) as well as a member of the Eastern Shore Baseball Foundation, Inc. Recently he was appointed to serve on the board of the Worcester County Historical Society. Newton has written several articles on local histories which have appeared in regional publications. He also handled all the legal work paving the way for his wife’s (Ekaterina) naturalization. She just voted in the recent Maryland primary.

1976
- Jack Causa
- Charles Gouldsbury
- Ann Marie Cohee Hallinan

1977
- Maryanne Solak

1978
- Dave Cohill

C. Meredith Adams Jr., C’79, was featured in the Frederick News Post this September for joining the Thompson Agency in Frederick. He has nearly 20 years in management positions with Nationwide Insurance. He holds the distinction of chartered life underwriter from the National Association of Society of Financial Service Professionals. Mr. Adams and his wife, Denise, have three daughters and reside in the Frederick area.

Marianne Mulligan, C’79, was recently hired by Southern Bank, Florida as the compliance and Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) officer, responsible system wide for the program that manages First Southern’s compliance with a variety of regulations and for the bank’s CRA compliance. Marianne is a career banker with more than 25 years of financial services experience, she joins First Southern from Great Florida Bank in Miami Lakes, where she served in a similar capacity.

The Junior League of Long Island honored Diana McDermott O’Neill, C’78, at their 50th Anniversary Gala at the Woodbury Country Club on March 30, 2012 for her work as Executive Director of the Long Island Volunteer Center.
1980
- Tim Dec
- Charles J. Haberkorn
- Judy Mazeeo Zocchi

1981
- Patricia Parrish Bay
- Ellen M. Callahan
- David Conaghan
- Sue Janowiak

1983
**Kathleen Ovack Tobin**, C’83, writes: “Chris and I were roommates for four years at the Mount and both of us ended up living in St. Petersburg, Fla. Now our daughters both play soccer together for the St. Petersburg High School soccer team. I am a journalism teacher at Lakewood High in St. Pete and Chris is a preschool teacher at St. Paul’s Catholic School.” Picture from left: **Kathleen Ovack Tobin**, C’83, **Anna Tobin**, 15, **Erin Waterman**, 17, and **Chris Foster Waterman**, C’83.

**Patrick Sprankle**, C’83, is very glad to have his daughter **Meghan Sprankle**, C’14, attend Mount St. Mary’s as well.

1985
**Thomas Arrowsmith**

1988
- Dedie Jones Campbell
- Patricia Crimmins Kunzman
- Kathleen Gill McDermott

**Sue Kilroy**, C’88, recently left Chicago and is now in Africa working as an ER nurse and setting up a health clinic with a team of specialists from her downtown Chicago hospital.

1989
- Lorraine Knepple

**Nancy Davis**, C’89, is the Director of Career Development at The College of Our Lady of the Elms in Chicopee, MA. Elms College is a co-educational, Catholic, liberal arts college. In this position, she is responsible for assisting students and alumni with their career and educational goals.

1991
- John Bransfield
- David Cassese

1992
- Joe Dowd
- Charles “Chuck” Schley

1990
- Kelly McLaughlin Catania
- Brian King

1991
- John Bransfield
- David Cassese

1992
- Joe Dowd
- Charles “Chuck” Schley

Paul gave transactional advice regarding the formation of an independent bio-life sciences company to fully develop the drug concepts which are emerging from the research.

1980
- Michael Cory
- Jim Sullivan

**Paul Cacciatore**, C’82, presented in Vancouver BC to a group of international scientific researchers who are engaged in an 8-year scientific project to find a cure for a highly lethal subtype of ovarian cancer.

**Melanie McDonald Kling**, C’81, earned her BA in Psychology at the Mount and later her BS in Psychology and now teaches College Dual Enrollment Psychology at a small, awesome Catholic high school in Florida (Clearwater Central Catholic HS). Melanie taught DE Psych to **Marisol Doglioli**, an internationally-ranked women’s golfer from Italy. Marisol is seen here after signing with the Mount to play on the women’s golf team (Class of 2016). Marisol and Melanie are pictured admiring her brain anatomy project. Marisol also plans to enter the psychological or psychiatric disciplines someday, which will be easy with her fantastic academic record. It’s a small world after all!

1982
- Michael Cory
- Jim Sullivan

**Pete Monahan, C’82**, and his wife Prof. Liz, Director of the Mount’s Center of Catholic School Excellence recently opened the Federal Pointe Inn located in the heart of the Gettysburg historic district. The Federal Pointe Inn offers charm and sophistication in a relaxed boutique hotel. The hotel site formerly housed the Meade School which was designed in the Richardson Romanesque style in 1896. The building served as the borough high school until 1909, after which it became an elementary school.

On Saturday, July 14th the 200th Military Police Command, at Fort Meade MD held a retirement Ceremony for **Colonel Dennis Rice, C’82**. COL Rice was presented the Legion of Merit by 200th Military Police Command Deputy Commanding General, **Brigadier General Phil Churn, C’83**. Also in attendance was COL (Ret) **Paul Alberti, C’83**. It was remarkable that one Mountie is presented a retirement award by General Officer Mountie (who have known each other for 33 years, and served with each other on numerous occasions) in a public forum. —Well, at least it meant a lot to us!

1985
- Thomas Arrowsmith

1988
- Dedie Jones Campbell
- Patricia Crimmins Kunzman
- Kathleen Gill McDermott

**Sue Kilroy**, C’88, recently left Chicago and is now in Africa working as an ER nurse and setting up a health clinic with a team of specialists from her downtown Chicago hospital.

**Fran Siefert**, C’88, has been recognized as one of the Irish Voice Newspaper’s most Influential Women in 2011. The award recognizes Irish and Irish American women professionals for their business acumen, mentoring and community and non-profit involvement.
In late March 2012, a few Mount Alumni gathered for some golf and fun in sunny Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. They were treated to 70 degree days and plenty of mulligans while playing at Barefoot Resort and The Dunes Club. Pictured (L-R) are, Will Milligan, C'92; Bob Dean, C'92; Mickey MacMillan, C'92; John Fee, C'92; Pat Cunningham, C'92; Dave DiLugig, C'92; Jeff Cannon, C'92; and Mike Fanning, C'91. Thanks to all the guys for taking time out of their busy schedules and making this a wonderful weekend!

Arturo Terraza, C'92, Was an Air Medal recipient for his service with the Puerto Rico National Guard Aviation Unit, with A Co 1-11th deployment to Iraq, Kuwait and Jordan. CW2 Terraza as a UH-60 Blackhawk Pilot, was part of the last missions on Iraq at the end of the War. His homecoming and end of the tour was celebrated in August 2012.

1993
• Rob Weed
John B. Zonarich, C'93, has been admitted to practice law in West Virginia. John handles personal injury litigation; he is a member of the Million Dollar Advocates Forum.

1994
• Bridget Daul Kelly
• Mike Zinzi

Dana Bergman Confair C’94, enjoys being a full time mom with her five children. She and her family are in the process of moving to Houston, Texas, where her husband, Rob, is now working as a chemical engineer.

1995
• Stella Cinoa Barry
• Elizabeth Matthews

1996
• Brendan Moag
• Jennifer O’Dea Sprungle

Brendan Moag, C’96, has been promoted to Strategic Account Manager-Golf by Under Armour; he now lives in the Baltimore, MD area.

1997
• Sarah Moncada Brion

Vince Chesney, C’97, is currently in Cuba where he will research Mental Health/ Intellectual Disability services. It is a volunteer position which he holds in addition to his full time work at Seltinsgrov Center and adjunct work at Luzerne County Community College, PA.

Mark Wimmer, C’97, is a Major in the Army serving in Afghanistan.

1998
• Alice Wylie Baumer
• Harry C. Benjamin
• Greg K. Kirby
• Mike T. Kirby

Heath Tarbet C’98, has become a partner in the Corporate Department at Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP in their Washington, DC offices. He is a dual qualified US-UK lawyer and counsels a variety of clients affecting the operation, purchase, and sale of US and foreign banks, thrifts, credit unions, non-bank financial institutions, and bank holding companies. He also counsels clients in connection with the regulation of derivatives and complex financial products.

1999
• Tara Bunchalk-Orefice
• Cynthia Kratz Lauta

Kevin Kalis, C’99, representing Maggie’s Mounties, was the guest speaker at the annual Karate Club Fundraising Dinner. The Mount St. Mary’s University Karate Club, Phoenix Karate-Do Association Kyokushinkai International, presented Kevin with a check for the Special Olympics.

2000
Chenniah Randolph, C’00, lives in Silver Spring, MD with her husband of 3 years and their 2 year old daughter. Chenniah has been teaching for 10 years with adult learners who have either dropped out of school or need to learn English. Currently, she works with court appointment youth to help them get their GED and employment. She also teach English as a Second Language to adult students. Chenniah and her husband wrote, illustrated and published the first ever children’s nursery rhyme book about breastfeeding for African Americans. The goal of the book is to promote healthy nutrition and literacy from birth; a huge issue for black communities. Their art work was exhibited at the Museum of Motherhood in NYC through May 2012.

2001
• Patrick McCuen

Friends for life! Anne Stocker Kalis, C’00; Stephanie Lopez Anderson, C’00; and Julia Blum Melody, C’00; enjoyed a day of friends, family and PICKING CRABS at the annual Baltimore Chapter Crab Feast. A good time was had by all!

Matt Lynch, C’01, has been selected as a referee for Division I Ivy League and Patriot League and Big South Men’s Collegiate Basketball Conferences.

2002
Robert Matava, PhD, C’02, is an Assistant Professor of Theology at Chistendom College, Front Royal, Virginia. He was the Liddon Fellow in Theology in Keble College, Oxford, University before joining Chistendom. He has delivered scholarly papers at the University of Oxford, the University of Aberdeen, the University of St. Andrews, the University of Navarre, and Notre Dame University.
Reverend Joseph Peek, S'02, ran a 5K race called Win the Fight for the Winship Cancer Institute and finished in just over an hour. Fr. Peek battled Leukemia since 2002. The Leukemia interrupted his call to working as a priest but that didn’t stop him from visiting others who were sick and praying with them. Fr. Peek is now working as a full-time priest and assistant pastor at All Saints Church in Dunwoody, Georgia.

2003
- Nick Meekins
- Katie Holohan Zuckon, C'03, is the Manager of Corporate Partnerships for the Philadelphia Eagles.

J. DeWitt Bauer, Jr., C'03, was nominated and selected as the 2011 Young Leader of the Year for the Associated Builders & Contractors Association (ABC). He was selected by his peers for the inestimable contributions that he has made over the years to the Associated Builders & Contractors Association and to the Construction Industry. He was honored at ABC’s Annual Winter Gala on February 18th at M&T Bank Stadium.

Michael Cordisco, C'03, has been named Director of the After School Kids Program (ASK) at Georgetown University. The ASK Program is located at the Center for Social Justice Research, Teaching & Service and pairs Georgetown student mentors with at-risk youth in the DC community. The program serves teenagers referred through DC Superior Court in order to improve job skills, life skills, and accessibility to resources.

2004
- Kevin Nicholas

2005
- Sarah Taylor

Fr. Tyson Wood, S'O5, and Fr. Ed Ohm, S'92

Brother Edmund McCullough, C’09, took his final vows to the Dominican Friars of the Province of St. Joseph on August 15th in Madeira, Ohio.

2010
- Anne Costigan

Amy Casto Kelly C’10, received a Master of Arts in Teaching in Secondary Social Studies from Frostburg State University on May 21, 2011.

TJ Whiting, C’10, joined the Navy in May 2012. After a grueling 12 weeks at Naval Officer Candidate School, he earned his commission as an Ensign. TJ graduated in the top 10% of his class and was in charge of the training of incoming candidates. His class received every honor presented at Officers Candidate School. TJ is now studying to become a naval aviator.

2011

John-Paul Snook, C’07, a captain in US Army military intelligence with a tour in Afghanistan under his belt, he is married to Erin McCloskey Snook, C’09

Tinika McIntosh C’08, is serving the Peace Corps in Benin West Africa; she is a member of the Rural Community Health sector and working as a Community Health Advisor. Tinika recently graduated from George Washington University with a Master in Public Health.

2008

2009
- Emma Dusenbery
- Sara Garbarini
- Jessica Halliday
- Andrea Padamonsky

Alexandra Matijevic, C’11

Alexandra Matijevic Airman First Class (A1C), C’11, is a proud member of the United States Air Force. She visited the Alumni Office before her deployment to Korea.

2012
- Gabriella R. Colarusso
- Michael A. Rath
- Christopher T. Wild

Daniel Destromme

Jon Adams, C’12, was hired by the Rocky Mountain Youth Corps, an affiliate of AmeriCorps, this summer to redirect a hiking trail on Maroon Bells near Aspen, Colorado; his crew was called the Fourteener crew because of the altitudes they worked at. John will join AmeriCorps in this fall on their Denver campus.

MBA
- William Houder

MPAS
- Kirby Lee Maybush

Remember to “Like” the “Mount St. Mary’s University Alumni” group!

WISH YOU WERE HERE

Jennifer Dougherty, C’83 and Alumni Director, Maureen Plant, C’82, recently traveled to Ireland and brought the Mount Magazine with them. This photo was taken at Ross Castle in County Kerry, Ireland. The Mount Magazine will feature a new section “Wish You Were Here” each issue. Consider taking us on your next adventure; be sure to include your name and class year, the name of others in the photo and of course where the photo was taken!
MESSAGE FROM NAA
PRESIDENT DAVID CONAGHAN, C’81
Greetings fellow Mounties!
The National Alumni Association leadership team spent the summer organizing our agenda for the year.

The Mountoberfest 2012 celebration in October was a great success and gave Mounties the opportunity to return to campus with their families and reconnect with fellow alumni. It was a wonderful opportunity to visit our beautiful campus during the fall season. A great time was had by all! The day included included activities for all ages including rides on the Mount’s new zip-line, German music and dancing!

This Spring, the NAA will hold its election for officers and council members. This team is critical to the success of the NAA. It’s our responsibility to provide leadership and direction for the NAA to continue to build the future on the foundation of our proud past. I would encourage alumni to consider a leadership role on our elected council or volunteer in the chapter system.

Please be sure to mark your calendars for Feb. 2, 2013 for the Hall of Fame Luncheon and Winter Homecoming Celebration. You will enjoy a basketball double-header when both the men and women face Sacred Heart. We will present our 2013 Hall of Fame class at the luncheon and welcome all alumni home at the Winter Homecoming social which will be held between games. Highlight of the Winter Homecoming celebration will be welcoming Mary & Donna Stocker as honorary alumni. Please join us!

Harris Connect is producing the 2013 Mount St. Mary’s print directory and will be in touch to verify your contact information and give you the opportunity to purchase your official Mount St. Mary’s print directory beginning April 2013!

I hope to see everyone as I travel throughout our chapter system in support of our alma mater.

To the Mount!!

David Conaghan, C‘81
President, National Alumni Association

PAST EVENTS

Dustin Bauer, C’08 Memorial 5K & 1 Mile Walk was held on Sunday October 23, 2011 at Oregon Ridge Park in Cockeysville, MD. The event had 275 registered participants and close to 75 mount alumni and current students in attendance. This year’s event will be held on November 18, 2012.

Pictured front to back: 1st Row: Chris Bantum, C’07; 2nd Row: Chris Hagood, C’08, Martin Hernandez, C’08, Ann Marie Fleshman, C’10; Kathy Bauer, Julie Jeffery, C’03; DeWitt Bauer, C’03; 3rd Row: Rodell Berry Jr, Bryan Donahoo, C’09, DeWitt Bauer Sr; Keith Rolon, C’07; Corey Grimes, C’12; Jamie Miller, C’12; 4th Row: Mychal Sterling, C’09; Chris Garman, C’12

New York Regional Coordinator, Theresa Mahoney runs about 4-5 regional recruitment events each year in the NY area. One of the focal points of each event is the alumni presentations/speeches. Most, if not all, of the alumni who help have volunteered through the Legati Program. (In total, over 125 alumni have helped recruit students since the Legati program began two years ago.)

Legati Volunteers spoke to prospective students and parents at a “Meet the Mount Night” Information Session this spring at the Long Island Marriott. Pictured; Pete Driscoll, C’66; Kyle Barbeau, C’10; Liz DiNapoli, C’98; Theresa Mahoney NY Regional Coordinator. Missing from photo; Christina Sutaricone, C’04 and Matt McSherry, C’08.

To learn more about the Legati program or to become involved, visit www.msmary.edu/legati

ACROSS THE UNITED STATES

Mrs. Manon Crucitt, kindergarten teacher at James Duke Elementary School in Ramona, California, contacted the Mount’s Alumni Office asking for support of her school district’s program “No Excuses University”. The program encourages very young students to achieve, have high expectations and to begin thinking about college.

Mrs. Crucitt chose Mount St. Mary’s because she identifies with the University’s values. She wanted to encourage her students to aspire to be future Mount St. Mary’s students, to learn the Mount’s fight song and to learn the school’s motto.

Both the Alumni Office and the School of Education responded by sending banners, photos, spirit sticks, t-shirts, flags, and other Mount spirit gear to the children. The Education Club students also sent handwritten letters to their adopted kindergarten students to encourage them about college. The children showed off their new Mount gear and sang “When the Saints Come Marching In” in a spirit rally for the whole school in January.

This spring the NATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION will hold ELECTIONS for officer and council positions. The election will be conducted with password protected electronic voting. If you or someone you know would like to be more involved in the National Alumni Association, please contact the Maureen Plant, Director of Alumni Relations at mplant@msmary.edu for more information and a nomination form.
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Michael G. Plumley
C’72 and Judy M. Pierson

June 23, 2012
Church of the Immaculate Conception, Annandale, NJ.

Kathleen Caulfield, C’97 and Adam Peskowitz

October 15, 2011
Sacred Heart Chapel, Bowie, MD
Preliminary: The Rev. John Caulfield, C’72; and The Rev. Patrick Smith, C’85

Mounties in attendance: Kristen and Jack McDonald, C’97; Kelly McLaughlin Glacken, C’97; Kevin Glacken, C’96; Cathie Aucock Radzikowski, C’97; Laura Casey Stewart, C’97; Megan Watters D’Angelo, C’97; Casey Smith Benzin, C’97; Laura Murphy Houser, C’97; Bill Houser, C’98; Claudia Belcsak, C’97; Michael Caulfield, C’85; Stephanie Gross Caulfield, C’85; Maureen Caulfield Hathaway, C’85; Craig Parker, C’97; Phil Socorso, C’97; Juliet Einsmann Switzer, C’96; Bob Calabrese, C’68

Megan Menone, C’02 and Brett O’Malley

October 8, 2011
Mounties in attendance (L to R): Nadine Kampsman Costello, C’04; Megan Lipari Brown, C’02; Jill Rustnak Mraz, C’02; Megan Menone O’Malley, C’02; Angela Tolotta Minutaglio, C’02; Michelle Keeler, C’02; and Joseph Costello, C’02 (not pictured)

Sean McMullen, C’02, and Jamie Gutcher McMullen C’05

October 30, 2010
Mount St. Mary’s Immaculate Conception Chapel

Mountie Wedding Party: Father Hector Mateus-Ariza C’09, Presiding Priest; Emily Gutcher, C’10 (Maid of Honor); Hannah Gutcher, C’14 (Maid of Honor); Austin Gutcher, C’14; Erin Riggins Monfredo, C’05; Chris Stack, C’02; Rachel Lawruk Killeen, C’05; Matty Lynch, C’01; Brian Wright, C’02 (Best Man); Trish Dadura, C’05; and Kenny Sheridan, C’02

Mounties in attendance: Rob Ryerson (MSM Head Men’s Soccer Coach); Dennis White, C’02; Shannon Ricker Berry, C’02; Ben Acquesta, C’02; Peter English, C’02; John McAuliffe, C’12; Nora McAuliffe, C’08; Mary McAuliffe, C’14; Jon Michael Dollet, C’09; Brian Carroll, C’05; Aaron Urbanski, C’10; DeWitt Bauer, C’03; Julie Jeffrey, C’03; TJ Burns, C’03; Alexis Ortiz Burns, C’09; Kelly Phelan, C’10; and Aaron Landers, C’09

Katie Holahan, C’03 married Michael Zackon

August 6, 2011
St. John the Baptist Church, Philadelphia PA
Reception was at The ACE Club in Lafayette Hill, PA.

Picture - from left to right: Jerry Lloyd, C’02; Meghan McCaffrey Lloyd, C’03; Allison Moraca, C’03; Mary Coughlin Adelsberger, C’04; Derrek Hiester, C’03; Keli Stevens Hiester, C’04; Katie Holahan, C’03; Michael Zackon, Stephanie Gnaau, C’03; Monica Serianni, C’03; and Karen O’Connor Wiese, C’03

John Leubecker, C’04 and Katie Harmer Leubecker, C’02

October 22, 2011
From left to right Sarah Cunningham, C’97; Aimie Zinzl, C’97; Becky Dausch, C’06; Kristan Stanley Hogg, C’02; Michael Zinzl, C’94; Addie Lewis, C’04; Nick DeFelice, C’01; Kelly Shiel DeFelice, C’02; Todd Cunningham, C’96; John Leubecker, C’04 (Groom); Katie Harner Leubecker, C’02 (Bride); April Parracco Gue, C’02; Rachel Gaes Monson, C’02; Meg Leubecker Lewis, C’02; William J Bray, C’66; Erika Gundersen Freiendel, C’02; Joclyn Doran McNally, C’03; Kyle Callahan, C’04; Lindsey Largella Dryer, C’04; Tom Dryer, C’02; Casey Etzel, C’03; Mike Freundel, C’02; Sam Hogg, C’04; Teddy Peyton, C’03; Vic Gue, C’03.

Alexis Bulkey Harvey, C’04, to Ryan Harvey, C’00

October 9, 2011
Corey Giaquinto, C’02 (kneeling); Ricardo Silva, C’04; John C. Lutz, C’05; Shannon Riley, C’04; Hayley Howe, C’04; Vanessa Quintero, C’04; Cara Evans, C’04; Eileen Williams, C’04; Katie Califano, C’04; Rebecca Desiles, C’05; Alexis Bulkey Harvey, C’04; Ryan Harvey, C’00; Elizabeth Connolly Protani, C’05; Bernadette Laracy Davis, C’05; Hengameh Sedghi Brown, C’04; Eric McPhee, C’99; Andrew Servinsky, C’99; Cara Egan Reynolds, C’89; Eileen Cox, C’04; Ed Egan, C’77 (Director, Pre-Law Program); Mary Lou Egan, SJU’54, widow of the late Edward E. Egan, Mount grad, Trustee Emeritus; Teri Kirwin Williams, C’82; Mike Tracy, C’64; Amanda Albertazzi Phillips, C’01; and Tim Phillips, C’00.

Kathleen Coleman, C’06 and Joe Entwistle, C’07

September 15, 2012
Mary’s Chapel of Lourdes at the Grotto; Mount St. Mary’s University.
Koki Adasi, C’04; Shannon Bahadoor, C’06; Veronica Cataruzolo, C’10; Jaime Entwistle Conti, C’00; Laura Deyo, C’06; Tom Dufek; Jamie Dufek, C’06; Brad Duggan, C’06; Jason Epps, C’05; Scott Feldmann, C’06; Laura Fenaroli, C’08; Nick Ferrari, C’07; Jill Franklin, C’07; Lani Ghodston, C’06; John Giovagnoni 05; Megan Margini, C’07; Liam McCasker, C’03; Marian Wargo McCusker, C’03; Chris O’Hara; Tiffany O’Hara, C’09; Lie Plant, C’07; Jim Plant, C’81; Maureen Plant, C’82; Katherine Schmidt, C’07; Annlese Scott, C’07; Steve Stone, C’06; John Torres, C’06; Meghan Walsh; Crystal Wright, C’05; Rob Weed, C’93; Colin Yhlen, C’09
Gerald Hacker, C'06 and Laura Field
August 20, 2011 in Austin, Texas
They currently reside in Dallas, Texas

Lavina Crawford Hudson, C'06, and
Andre Hudson, C'07
Saturday, July 9, 2011
Mounties in Attendance (left to right):
Macques Thomas, C'07; Christopher Bantum, C'07; Bryce Jones, C'07; Andre Hudson, C'07; Lavina Crawford Hudson, C'06; Nia Green (Jones), Antoinette Brazelton, C'07; Jeannette Smith, C'07; Patrice Benjamin (Ford), C'07; and Tina Grzeczkowski, C'06.

Meghan Rueter McMahon and Brian McMahon, C'07
September 17th, 2011
Old Saint Mary’s Church, Philadelphia
Mounties in attendance: Julie Arnold McIntosh, C'07; Melissa Phillips, C'07; Jennifer Sabo, C'07; Lauren Rock, C'08; Nora McAuliffe, C'08; Danielle Reuter Miller, C'07; Michael Miller, C'07; Anna Folkwine Volkwine, C'07; Michael Volkwine, C'07; Kevin Marshall, C'07; Michael Bednarik, C'08; Lauren Keydash, C'08; Kelly Grzeczkowski, C'07; Jeannette Smith, C'07; Patrice Benjamin (Ford), C'07; and Tina Grzeczkowski, C'06.

Brian, C'07 and Kaela Smeresky Iciek,
C'09
April 2, 2011
Mount alumni in attendance were: Katie Fives, C'09; Allie Doane, C'09; Christine Baldini, C'09; Cara Heisey, C'09; Ashlee Stoner, C'09; Lauren Sakowski, C'09; Eric Sakowski, C'08; Ryan Arnold, C'06; Joe Skehan, C'07; Chris Arnsberger, C'07. Father Jim Donohue officiated.

Donny Nokes, C'07 and Lauren Blair Nokes, C'08
October 29, 2011 in Hunt Valley Maryland
Mounties attending were: John Foster, C'78; Jessica Schiavi, C'04; Jake Foster, C'07; Lisa Foster, C'07; James Foster, C'85; Brian McMahon, C'07; Meghan McMahon, C'07; Herbert Geary, C'07; Michael Volkwine, C'07; Anna Volkwine, C'07; Lauren Keydash, C'08; Mike “Pins” Bednarik, C'08; Melanie Martin, C'08; Nute Martin, C'05; Michael Miller, C'07; Danielle Reuter, C'07; Nick Bohn, C'07; Johnny Foley, C'06; Tom McClean; Stephanie Hession, C'07; Tim Hession, C'07; Jim Davis, C'07; Allison Weston, C'08; Chad Newmaster, C'07; Lauren Rock, C'08.

Ryan Audy, C’08 to Clare Odell
November 5, 2011

George Brunner, C'10, and Brittany Morris, C'10
October 1, 2011
Mount St. Mary’s Immaculate Conception Chapel
From left to right and front to back: Casey-Mae Fleicher-McGinley, C'08; Stohban Riley, C'10; Danielle Pontious, C'11; Sarah Conrad, C'12; Elizabeth Puleo, C'12; Simone Gauthier, C'13; Therese Buchheit, C'13; Joshua Rich, C'12; Rachael DeMartino, C'13; Rebecca Mullan, C'09; Rachel Wesciler, C’11; Margaret Dubois, C'10; Elizabeth Walsh, C’10 (bridesmaid); Stephanie Kreiner-Calis, C’10; Tora Mullet, C’10; Jonathan Benitez, C’10 (Groomsman); Clinton Felt, C’11; Andrew Calis, C’09; Haylee Hollenbeck, C’13 (Maid of Honor); Brittany Morris-Brunner, C’10 (Bride); George Brunner, C’10 (Groom); Matthew Volchansky, C’11 (Best Man); Dr. Michael Miller (Groomsman); Stephanie McGinley, C’10; Jonathan Gibbons, C’10.

Angela Sickle, C’10, and Justin Smithhisler, C’10
August 20, 2011
Mount St. Mary’s Immaculate Conception Chapel
Attending the wedding were the following Mounties: Jillian O’Hara, C’10; Katherine McDermott, C’11; Bill Feirnmann, C’10; Christopher Arthur, C’10; Heather Kurtman, C’11; Chase Flott, C’09; Regina Hinkle, C’11; Matthew Golinski, C’11; Brendan McNulty, C’09; Rev. James Donohue; Amanda Soderberg, C’11; Christina Fowler, C’11; Brenna McDonnell, C’11; Allison McNulty, C’10; Anne Costigan, C’10; Alejandro Orellana, C’11; Matthew Smithhisler, C’14; Madeleine Stross, C’14.
Michelle Kretschmaier-Hussey, C’83, and Joseph P. Hussey, C’83, became Grandparents
Joseph Paul Hussey III aka Tripp
March 30, 2011
Tripp’s great grandfather is Henry W. Kretschmaier, C’55, and his aunt is Michon Kretschmaier, C’86. Tripp’s aunt, Alexis Hussey (Michelle and Joe’s daughter) is a current student at MSM and is the class of 2014.

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Christopher M. Green, C’96, and wife Gina
Sean Anthony Green
October 26, 2011
He joins brother Aidan and sisters Claire & Moira.

Colleen Miles Lunsford, C’97, and husband Luke Richard Lunsford
November 22, 2011
This is their second son.

Joseph W. Weishaar, C’97, and Ashley Foley Weishaar, C’01
William Robert Weishaar
September 29, 2011
He is joining his big brother Jack (age 5) and big twin sisters Hanna and Olivia (age 3).

Bridget Hanlon Cooper, C’98, and husband Christian Cooper
Brendan Daly Cooper
June 24, 2011
He joins big brothers Finn (4) and Owen (2).

Patrick McGinn, C’98, and wife Tracie McGinn
Brennan Thomas McGinn
February 17, 2012
She joins sisters Rachel (14), Emily (7), and Rebekah (4), and brother Andrew (9).

Dana Bergman Confair, C’94, and husband Rob
Katelyn Noelle Confair
December 13, 2011
She joins sisters Rachel (14), Emily (7), and Rebekah (4), and brother Andrew (9).

Heath Tarbert, C’98, and wife Kate Tarbert
Benjamin Heath Tarbert
October 21, 2011
Weighing 7 lbs. 4 oz. and 19 inches. Can’t wait for everyone to meet him.

Erica Boyle Hilliard, C’03, and Justin Hilliard, C’03
Nolan William Hilliard
November 27, 2011
Pictured are Nolan and Julia Elizabeth Bissett (2), daughter of Jamie-Leigh Hughes Bissett, C’03.

Deborah McBride Heppes, C’86, and husband Paul adopt
Katherine Diamond Cai Lian Heppes
November 12, 2009
Mount Alumni present at the baptism were Thomas M. Barnes, C’86, and Eileen Barnes, C’89.

Stephanie Lopez Anderson, C’00, and husband Stephen
Quinn Caitlyn
January 19, 2012
Joins proud sister Morgan.

Brian Kearns, C’00, and Meghan Murphy Kearns, C’00
Saoirse Fianna
June 15, 2011
She joins big sisters, Tatum and Niamh, and big brothers, Declan and Paddy.

Megan Lipari Brown, C’02, and husband Jimmy Brown
Madeline Kathleen
February 23, 2012
She joins big brother, Vince (age 5).

Angela Tolotta Minutaglio, C’02, and husband Matthew
Emma Alexa Minutaglio
August 17, 2011

Sean McMullen, C’02, and Jamie Gutcher McMullen, C’05
Gracyn Sophia McMullen
August 29, 2011

Micheal Cordisco, C’03, and Meredith Pirone Cordisco, C’03
Francis David Cordisco
August 26, 2011
IN MEMORIAM

March 16, 2012 through September 20, 2012

1940’s

Mr. Francis X. Bastible, C'42
August 30, 2012

Mr. Alfred J. Skidmore, C'44
June 23, 2012

Rev. Hugh Harold McGroarty, S'45
April 16, 2012

Rev. Paul B. Hogarty, S'48
April 20, 2012

1950’s

Mr. Francis Joseph Clark, C'50
May 26, 2012

Mr. John L. Doerner, C’50
April 24, 2012

Mr. Richard J. Hinchey, Jr., C’50
February 8, 2012

Mr. Albert J. Rosenwald, C’50
January 26, 2012

Mr. John F. Wiley, C’50
March 20, 2012

Mr. Clement E. McKeon, C’51
March 16, 2012

Mr. Paul Gregory O’Connor, C’51
May 17, 2012

Mr. Austin C. Dougherty, C’52
April 9, 2012

Msgr. Gerard Leo Green, C’52
August 14, 2012

Mr. William J. Inman, C’52
April 16, 2012

Mr. Harry E. McPartland, Jr., C’53
June 24, 2012

Mr. George M. Bowling, C’54
August 23, 2012

Mr. John P. Doherty, C’55
August 12, 2012

Dr. Kenneth R. Easler, C’55
March 28, 2012

Mr. Edward M. Duffy, C’56
June 3, 2012

Mr. John J. McGrath, C’56
February 29, 2012

Mr. Eugene Brian Fleming, C’57
April 11, 2012

Mr. Lawrence J. Hance, C’57
March 4, 2012

Mr. Lawrence D. Purcell, C’57
September 13, 2012

Mr. Thomas J. Galvin, C’58
September 6, 2012

Rev. Alan R. Helwig, S’58
July 5, 2012

Mr. Frank James Mooney, C’59
April 6, 2012

Mr. Michael W. Ryan, C’59
June 9, 2012

1960’s

Mr. John Matthew Clark II, C’60
August 4, 2012

Mr. David L. Maloney, C’63
September 3, 2012

Mr. Stephen R. Vagrin C’63
April 17, 2012

Mr. Eugene Louis Palmieri, C’64
June 29, 2012

Dr. John J. McGovern C’65
July 1, 2012

Mr. Patrick J. Heffron, S’66
April 30, 2012

Mr. Joseph C. Perreault, C’67
April 16, 2012

Mr. James M Kelly, C’68
September 17, 2012

1970’s

Col. Michael D. Burke, USAF
(Ret.)
August 29, 2012

Mr. Thomas W. Bilodeau C’75
December 7, 2012

Rev. James L. Armstrong, S’77
May 3, 2012

Ms. Susan Elizabeth Mudd, C’78
April 5, 2012

Rev. Thomas J. Sokolowski, C’79
July 19, 2012

Lisa Marie Villard, C’79
November 3, 2011

1980’s

Mrs. Dolores Joy Henke, C’82
September 21, 2012

Mr. George D. Gaines, C’83
May 12, 2012

Ms. Gail M. Harris, CAC, C’84
April 5, 2012

Rev. Martin E. Hayes S’84
July 10, 2012

Nicholas A Mastrorilli, Jr. C’85
September 9, 2012

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace, Amen. May their souls and all the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

2013 MOUNT ST. MARY’S PRINT DIRECTORY will be available to alumni this year. Harris Connect is producing the directory and will be in contact to verify your contact information and give you the opportunity to purchase your official Mount St. Mary’s Print Directory beginning April 2013!
Chapter Notes

THE NORTH FLORIDA/SOUTH GEORGIA CHAPTER
The Northern Florida/South Georgia Chapter brings Mount alumni together in service and community through their work at DOSA Camps and by hosting Mount students on their Spring Break Service trip. Many thanks to Dedie Campbell, C’87; Tim O’Sullivan, C’84; and Greg Letnaunchyn, C’72; for their dedication to the Mount.

Members of the chapter participated in its 2nd annual community service project at DOSA Camps on SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 2012

DOSA Camps provides a recurring six-day, recreational and residential summer camp experience for children, teenagers and young adults who are challenged by developmental disabilities. The Camps are located on the property of the Marywood Retreat and Conference Center, in St. Johns, Florida.

CONNECTICUT CHAPTER
The Mount’s oldest organized chapter is alive & kick’n in Connecticut. Every year the chapter hosts events around Mount men’s & women’s basketball games and enjoys their annual chapter golf tournament. Dick Hart, C’65, is the Chapter president works closely with Gene Sullivan, C’60; John McKee, C’65; and Charlie Shimkus, C’61.

Dick Hart, C’65, President of the Connecticut Chapter is shown with Connecticut Chapter Scholarship Recipient Daniel Santalla, C’16, Dan’s father, Mr. Philip Santalla, and Nick Dalidowitz, C’05, Scholarship Committee Chairman.

Mrs. Marge Deegan, John McKee, C’65, Tournament Chairman, James Deegan retired Mount Track Coach, Tom FitzSimons, C’11, Track and Field Decathalete, Tom’s mother Mary Sue and father Thomas FitzSimons Sr. of Hamden Ct. Tom was honored by the Connecticut Alumni Chapter at their annual Golf Tournament in June.

CAROLINA CHAPTER
Many thanks to Tim Bahr, C’84; Tim Buck, C’87 and John Driscoll, C’87 for their work to promote the Mount!!! Chapter leaders have represented the Mount at Charlotte College Fairs and continue to bring Mount Alumni together throughout the year. Chapter leaders would love to hear from you if you live in North or South Carolina!

MSM Carolinas Chapter Social – Rachel Pease, Dr. David Bushman and Mount Alumni – Katie Walton, C’02; Shawn Fennell, C’82; Fabio Osorio, C’09; Matt Sanicola, C’08; Tim Bahr, C’84 and Tim Buck, C’87

Community Service event at Holy Angels in Belmont, NC. The Chapter partnered with the Notre Dame Club of Charlotte to participate in this event. This year we helped Holy Angels make one of their storage facilities on their campus become OSHA compliant.

For upcoming Chapter events in your area visit www.msmary.edu/alumni and click on “Upcoming Events.”

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DELAWARE CHAPTER
The Delaware Chapter has been busy! Many thanks to Ellen Callahan for her years as Chapter President! Ellen recently handed the reigns over to Marie Graney, C’08; Emily Grugan, C’10 and Jennifer Lougheed, C’10. Alumni in the Delaware Chapter have enjoyed getting together to rekindle friendships and make new Mount friends!

NEW YORK METROPOLITAN CHAPTER
The New York Metropolitan Chapter enjoyed partnering with Catholic Charities Brooklyn & Queens for the New York City Catholic Alumni Networking Reception. Members of the chapter also gathered for a Social at the Basking Ridge Country Club and their spring Happy Hour at Uncorked in NYC.

Contact Karen Imbach, C’91, for more information on chapter activities.

PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER
Spring brought alumni from the Philadelphia area together in West Chester at Ryan’s Pub. Chapter leaders Kelly McLaughlin Catania, C’90 and Pat McGinn, C’98 welcome everyone to all Chapter events!

Phillies Phever struck hard when more than 100 Mounties gathered at two Phillies games this spring! The first on their home turf when the Phillies played Washington Nationals and then on the road at Oriole Park at Camden Yards! We definitely had some Phillie Phanatics at both games!

Baltimore Chapter golf Tournament
Baltimore Chapter Crab feast
Baltimore Chapter orioles Picnic

Baltimore Chapter
The Baltimore Chapter hosts many events every year; annual events include Winterfest, the Baltimore Golf Tournament, Orioles picnic and game (20 years); the Baltimore Crab Feast (39 years!) and supporting Mount Athletics and chapter socials.

Many thanks to the chapter leaders, Harry Benjamin, Rob Herb, Brian Melody, and Laura Fenaroli for all they do!

HALL OF FAME AND WINTER HOMECOMING
Four members of the Athletic Hall of Fame were inducted on February 4, 2012. Roland Miller, C’98, Lacrosse; Dave Swomley, C’74, Track & Field and Soccer; Brian Wall, C’98, Soccer; Kia Williams, C’01, Basketball.

The 2012 Hall of Fame class includes a men’s Lacrosse Player of the Year, the NEC player of the year in women’s basketball, a two-time all-conference selection in men’s soccer, and an athlete skilled enough to be a conference champion in Track and Field as well as all-conference in soccer. This acknowledgement is earned on the basis of athletic achievement as a student and dedication, leadership, courage and community—congratulations to Roland, Dave, Brian and Kia!

A highlight of our Winter Homecoming festivities is the recognition of all Mount Athletic Hall of Fame members present at the event. This year we welcomed Woody Stoner, Jim Deegan, Don Barry, C’91; Tony Ambush, C’73; Pat Fick, C’97; Roland Miller, C’98; Dave Swomley, C’74; Brian Wall, C’98; Teresa Otterbein, C’89; Kia Williams, C’01; Dave Swomley, C’74; Bob Deegan, C’82; Rob Herb, C’78; Richard Swomley, C’64; John McKee, C’65.
A MALE VIEW OF THE MOUNT

By Xavier J. DeCaire, C’73

Editor’s Note: During his senior year at the Mount, Xavier J. DeCaire, C’73, was the editor of the student yearbook, Pridwin. Coincidentally, his senior year coincided with the first class of women admitted as undergraduates. DeCaire penned the letter here, which appears unabridged, from Pridwin 1973. DeCaire is Co-Owner, Partner and Advisor at Wilmington, DE-based George J. Weiner Associates. He is an active member of the Delaware Chapter of the National Alumni Association, and also serves as the chair of the Advancement Committee of the University’s Board of Trustees.

Freshman Orientation at the Mount … September 1970. I remember being scared … we all were but no one would admit it. We were getting our first taste of “college life.” Yet “college life” at the Mount was different than what we’d been reading about for the last year or two. The Mount wasn’t a place of riot and revolt and change like Columbia or Berkley. It was the second oldest Catholic college in the United States. Perhaps more important or more disturbing to us, it was all male. That first night the orientation committee tried to get our class together with St. Joe’s freshman at a movie in Flynn Hall. But the girls weren’t interested in us. They knew there were upper classmen coming in the next day with a lot more to offer. That was the way it seemed to stay for the rest of the year. Then in April we got the word that St. Joseph College was closing in ’73. Many thought it was the beginning of the end.

They were wrong. It was the beginning, not of the end, but of something that would shatter the tradition of the Mount and turn it into a more normal college campus. There would be women actually living on the hallowed campus of Mount St. Mary’s.

Since the Mount and Joe’s were already working in unison academically, the change was not readily noticeable in the class rooms, and with activities always open to students from both schools the change wasn’t easily seen there either (except on the soccer team). It was in the non-academic, non-scholastic area that things were different. Women were living in Pang and sharing the dining room in the S.U.B. Dormitories became centers of social activities with granting of parietals. Perhaps most important there was a discernible new mood on campus. Things seemed a little more calm, a little less “rowdy.”

The myths of the hierarchy concerning young men and women had been destroyed. The Mount had gone coed.

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—Xavier DeCaire, C’73, Pridwin editor
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