

alum community

welcome

We invite all alums to attend Homecoming on Saturday, Oct. 15, 2011, at the Chalon Campus and to participate in the activities of Founders Week, Oct. 9–12. Show your MSMC pride and enjoy this great opportunity to meet and mingle with current students and fellow alums. For information about Homecoming and Founders Week, call 213.477.2769 or go to www.msmcalums.la.edu/homecoming2011.



The Golden Grads of 1961 celebrate at the Baccalaureate Mass, May 2011.

class notes

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Mary (Sibilio) Frary became a great-grandmother two more times in October 2010. She now has four great-grandchildren.

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Marilyn (Menne) Hansen married George Dinsmore Hansen Jr. after World War II. They had three sons and traveled extensively, making 22 trips to Europe. They now have 12 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. In the summer, she visits her oldest son's family in Sandpoint, Idaho, and visits Palm Springs frequently during the winter.

'48

Portia (Hayes) Cotter was a music major and is still playing the violin at Fellowship Square living community in Mesa, Ariz.

'56

Mary Dolan-Lonergan has been interested in researching genealogy since she was inducted into the El Palo Alto Chapter of the National Society

of the Daughters of the American Revolution several years ago.

'58

Cecilia (Lucente) Costas is enjoying retirement. She volunteers at her church and in the community.

Maria Alicia Martinez is enjoying her duties as vice chair of the Docent Roundtable of the Natural History Museum in Los Angeles.

'59

Ann (Riordan) Westphal and her husband celebrated their 50th anniversary with a Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass at their parish church in Tucson, Ariz., followed by a luncheon with family and friends. Classmates **Mary Alice (Schoepe) Cunningham**, **Joan (Becker) Nicholson**, **Ann (Lentz) Rasmussen** and **Janet (Lewis) Ryan-Miller** were among the guests.

'61

Carol (Trindl) Hamel and her husband have been married for 48 years and have three children and seven grandchildren. She taught

elementary school in the Rocklin (Calif.) Unified School District for 22 years and served on the Roseville Union High School Board for 19 years. In their retirement, they enjoy visiting family, traveling and volunteering in their church and community.

Margaret (Cole) Padilla retired after 17 years of teaching high school English at Los Angeles area high schools Bishop Montgomery, St. Paul and Don Bosco Tech. She also taught adult education classes for the Alhambra School District for 32 years. She enjoyed every minute of teaching.

Linda (Cox) Stellern is retired and plays bridge with the Shakespeare League of Pasadena. This spring, she danced in "Thoroughly Modern Millie" and "All That Jazz" for the league's benefit. She and her husband also travel to watch surfing contests from Hawaii to Mexico. Occasionally, she is a substitute teacher for friends in the Pasadena Unified School District.

'62

Mary (Erschoen) Morris is an adjunct professor at the Josef Korbel School of International Studies

at the University of Denver. She enjoys spending time with her three grandchildren and loves Colorado — except for the snow.

'63

Doris (Russell) Kerry is retired but still volunteers as a teacher for at-risk high school students. After 10 years in Arizona, she and her husband recently relocated to Lincoln, Calif. In the past three years, they travelled to Panama, Botswana, Zimbabwe, South Africa, the Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary, Austria, Belgium and Holland.

Bernice (Fijak) Lynch-Bajada and her husband traveled to Egypt and Jordan to explore the antiquities and cultures for three weeks in September 2010.

'66

Susan (Smernoff) Abler traveled to Spain in May 2010 with her sister and two childhood friends. At the end of the trip, she visited a friend she met during her school days in France before entering the Mount.

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Kathleen (Kimball) Cha is the national director-at-large for the American Association of University Women. She speaks across the country on equity and education, leadership development, and the media's portrayal of women and girls.

Mary (MacDonald) Koenig chairs the Greater Houston Shakespeare Competition for the English Speaking Union. She sings in the choir at Christ the King Lutheran Church, as well as in several German singing societies. In May, she and her husband sang in a concert at the International Academy of Estate and Trust Law in Mexico City. She is also active in the Blue Bird Circle, a by-invitation women's group



Reunion participants enjoy Mount Alum Day 2010.

Reunion Alert – Oct. 15, 2011

Who: Reunions this year are for the Classes of 1966, 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996, 2001 and 2006 – with special attention to the Silver Anniversary Class of 1986.

When: Reunions will be celebrated at Homecoming on Saturday, Oct. 15, at the Chalon Campus.

Volunteer Opportunity: Join your Class Reunion Committee and encourage your classmates to attend. To help make your reunion a success, contact Elizabeth (Robles) Jimenez '03, director of alumnae relations, at 213.477.2769 or erobles@msmc.la.edu.

that supports the Department of Pediatric Neurology at Texas Children's Hospital with funds and volunteer hours. This past summer, she and her husband traveled to Barcelona, Spain; Munich, Germany; and areas in southern France and Italy.

'69

Clare (Collins) Marquardt has retired after 39 years at Temple City High School in Temple City, Calif. Her youngest child graduated from California State University, Monterey Bay.

Janet (Wolff) Maulhardt and her husband celebrated their 40th anniversary with a cruise around

New Zealand and a visit to Sydney, Australia. They enjoy working on the Catholic Charities Advisory Board in Ventura County, Calif., and playing with their grandchildren.

'70

Mary (Limebrook) Burnham retired in June 2009 after teaching for 38 years. She became a grandmother in 2007.

'71

Loretta McBride volunteers to meet with engaged couples to facilitate the FOCCUS premarriage inventory at her parish in Redding, Calif.

'72

Mary K. Durando and her classmates **Kathleen (Knudsen) DeSantis, Roslyn (Olaes) Granger, Karen (Silva) Hillman, Beatrice (Gutierrez) Rush, Sharon (Pech) Schmid** and **Alicia (Gutierrez) Wilson '70** had a weekend reunion in Santa Barbara to celebrate their long years of friendship. Mary is looking forward to attending the Henley Royal Regata, a rowing event, held annually in England.

'74

Barbarann Smith and her sister went on a cruise to Haiti and Mexico. The trip was the inaugural sailing of Oasis of the Seas.

'76

Mayra Soria published her first book of poems, "La Ultima Cena," in 2010. She is working on her second book, "Nuestra America."

'79

Astra Pacold, a dentist, recently published a new book, "Laugh Until Your Ribs Hurt."

Aura Zelada is community association manager at Windsor Hills in Kissimmee, Fla. near Walt Disney World Resort. She has lived in Florida for 21 years. She traveled to Athens, Greece and enjoyed walking among the ruins.

'80

Gina (Poli) Hsiung retired in June after 27 years as cataloging and database maintenance supervisor at Oviatt Library at California State University, Northridge. She is relocating to Madera, Calif. to be near her mother. She also spent eight weeks this summer as a camp host/volunteer with the Yosemite National Parks Youth Conservation Corps.



Alicia Herrera '11 (left) and Betsy (Dickerson) Azariah '66 (right) celebrate at the Senior Dinner in May.

Seniors Give Back to the Mount

The Class of 2011 presented then President Jacqueline Powers Doud with a senior gift to the College at the Senior Farewell Dinner in April. The students raised \$1,858 and designated their gift to The Class of 2011 Scholarship in support of the next generation of Athenians. Their gift was matched dollar for dollar by Betsy (Dickerson) Azariah '66, president of the Alumnae Association, and enhanced by donations from Helen Boutrous, chair of the College's history and political science department; and Doud and her husband, Robert Doud.

Jeanne M. Jagatich-Fisher has been teaching at St. Mary's Academy in Los Angeles for the past nine years as director of the school's health careers program. If any alum would like to present information related to a health care career to the high school students, please contact her at jfisher@smabelles.org.

Roxanne (Moore) Riley works in hospice care and has enjoyed a long career in nursing and administration. She is proud to say that her sister is now going into nursing as a second career. Her husband is a firefighter and a nurse as well.

'86

Louise (Karch) Raya and her husband live in Newport Beach, Calif. She is a school administrator

with the Huntington Beach Union High School District.

'88

Adria Goppelt is married and a mother of three children. She earned her master's degree in physical therapy in 1999 and lives and works in Ventura, Calif.

Nina (Carter) Sinovia has accepted a position as director of scholarship and special programs with CollegeInvest, a not-for-profit division of the Colorado Department of Higher Education. As director, she will oversee a multi-million dollar scholarship program.

'89

Desiree (Ertle) Ritter has published in the Journal of Nursing

Management. She is house supervisor at Children's Hospital of Los Angeles.

'91

Lily Ibarra is a bilingual physical therapist working in the hospital outpatient setting serving the Latino community in Napa, Calif. She began treating children under age 3 in 2004 and has now treated hundreds of children within a four-county area for delayed developmental deficits.

Lisa Tapia is advancing her career as an administrative law judge with an appointment to the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, National Appeals Division. Her new post began in July and she will be relocating to Southern California from her current home in Illinois.

'92

Sharon (Kirk) Gorman plans to spend four weeks this summer at two clinics in Haiti providing physical therapy to earthquake victims.

'94

Kristi Fregia-Rucks is one of only a few physical therapists in the country who specialize in bariatric physical therapy. She is active in the Obesity Action Coalition and is a member of the American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery. She is a guest lecturer in the physical therapy programs at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and Concordia University.

Justine Wright has been a physical therapist for 16 years. She has twins — a boy and a girl. She supported the Cindy Moore Scholarship for Physical Therapy, because she says Cindy Moore, former chair of the physical therapy department, was the perfect example of drive, compassion, excellence and dedication.

Give to Alum Emergency Book Fund

The Alum Emergency Book Fund was established in response to students' growing need for assistance with the rising cost of textbooks. The fund will provide students with extraordinary financial need a grant for textbook purchases. The average college student spends nearly \$900 on textbooks each year. A grant from the Alum Emergency Book Fund can make all the difference to students by helping them acquire necessary books.

Any gift you make to this fund will be greatly appreciated. Not only will your donation help students now, but it will let them know the Alumnae Association cares. This is part of the Mount's mission to give back. Our hope is that when students become alums, they will remember our helping hand and extend one to future students themselves.

To contribute, visit www.msmcalums.la.edu/mountfund or send your gift to Alum Emergency Book Fund, MSMC, 10 Chester Place, Los Angeles, CA 90007. For more information, call alumnae relations at 213.477.2767.

'96

Mary (Dunn) Nalick was named director of mental health services at Homeboy Industries. This nonprofit agency, founded by Father Greg Boyle, SJ, helps at-risk and former gang-involved youth become contributing members in the community through a variety of services in response to their multiple needs.

'00

Nury Yoo has joined the firm of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck in the Albuquerque, N.M., office.

'03

Mariliese (Segismundo) Horsewood has been working for the Southwest Gas Corp. since 2007 and was recently promoted to senior financial analyst in the corporate development department.

'07

Bev Suson continues to work as an elementary school teacher at St. Patrick Catholic School in North Hollywood, Calif.

two by two

The Alumnae Association extends best wishes to the following alums and their spouses:

- '02 Valerie Gonzalez to David Bonilla
- '06 Abigail Peak to Andy Hughes
- '05 Kristen Shadburn to George Larios

by-lines

The Alumnae Association extends congratulations to the following alums and their spouses on the birth of their children:

- '08 Isabella Katherine Ramos to Kathleen Castellanos, first child
- '03 Aiden Valentino Villalba to Jennifer (McCreight) Villalba, second child
- '03 Jaxon Theodore Waters to Geovanna (Henao) Waters, first child

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Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of:

- '45 Margaret Rush
- '48 husband of Phyllis (Kirby) Jones
- '48 Nanette (Teresi) Larrinaga
- '48 Elizabeth Peukert
- '49 Adelaide (Spuhler) Mealy
- '51 husband of Evelyn (Kraemer) Francuz
- '54 husband of Joyce (Markel) Brown
- '54 Georga Grupe
- '56 husband of Margaret (Munnemann) Cohen
- '59 brother of Sister Annette Bower, CSJ
- '60 Rita Boags
- '62 Sheila (Curran) McDonald
- '63 mother of Christine (Ver Halen) Simon and Johanna (Ver Halen) Budman '68
- '64 Virginia (Speltz) Mullin
- '64 mother of Sister Keiran Vaughan, CSJ and Sister Judy Vaughan, CSJ, '68
- '68 Rose Mary Carroll-Johnson
- '69 Sister Mary Carlann Paganelli, CSJ
- '83 son of Adrienne Allison
- '87 Lindell Eldred
- '99 Inez Feeny

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of the following former faculty members of the College:

Howard Langer, former adjunct faculty in the business administration

department, who taught accounting and finance in the MBA and baccalaureate programs

Cindy Moore, former longtime faculty member and chair of the physical therapy department

They will be remembered in the Masses, prayers and good works of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet and the Mount Community.

advanced degrees

The Alumnae Association congratulates the following alums for their successful pursuit of intellectual achievement:

- '89 Desiree Ertle-Ritter, MA in health administration, University of La Verne, May 2010
- '07 Bev Suson, credential and MA in elementary education, Loyola Marymount University, May 2011

NOTE: We are proud of all of our alums and are happy to showcase your academic achievements. Please let us know when you receive an advanced degree and include the date and the name of the institution granting the degree. In order to keep this feature current, please do not go back any further than four years or send information that has already appeared in Class Notes.

Stay on the Cutting Edge

Log in to Mount AlumLine to:

- find out the latest alum activities
- RSVP to alum events
- update your personal information
- chat online
- make a gift to MSMC

To log in, go to www.msmlalums.la.edu; you will need your Alum ID#. You can find it directly above your name on the address panel of this magazine.

E-mail Update

Please make sure we have your current e-mail address, so we can stay in touch.

Alumnae Legacy Grant

Alum offspring are entitled to a \$1,000 grant, renewable every year upon enrolling at MSMC. To apply, contact Alumnae Relations.

Alum Privilege Card

You need this card to use the Mount fitness centers or libraries. Log in to AlumLine (Web address above) and click on Alum Privilege Card on the left navigation bar.

Enrichment Courses

You are entitled to audit one course a semester for personal enrichment at no charge. No credit will be given. Contact Alumnae Relations to get the audit waiver form.

Career Planning

Alums can get free career-planning advice by visiting the Career Center during regular hours either as a walk-in client or by appointment with a counselor. To search the center's online job listing, go to www.mountcareernetwork.com. You will need to complete an initial registration process.

Questions?

Please call Alumnae Relations at 213.477.2767.

Remembering the Mount

Thinking of including the Mount in your estate plan? Please let us know. There are many ways to do this. We can help you decide which is best for you. Contact Cindy Hizami, director of planned giving, at 213.477.2740 or chizami@msmc.la.edu.