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## Message from President David J. Fike

our own.

Where has the time gone? This academic year seems to have flown by faster than ever as we proceed toward commencement. We are very pleased to announce that our commencement speaker this year will

be Jane Herb, IHM, President of our founders, the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Jane earned her Ph.D. from Boston College, and served as Regional Director for the Archdiocese of Boston and Superintendent of Schools for the Diocese of Albany, New York. Jane is a well-known educator in our community, too, as a former teacher at Marian High School in Bloomfield Hills and Regina in Harper Woods, and principal of Our Lady Star of the Sea in Grosse Pointe Woods. She has devoted her career and ministry to Catholic education and we look forward to hearing Jane's unique perspective on its evolution.

We just celebrated our annual Honors Convocation in March, and we were proud to present the inaugural award for a new, community-based scholarship from a beloved family in our community. **The Quigley-Doherty Family Endowed Scholarship** was donated in honor of the late David and late Mary Doherty by their five children. David was a former chairman of the Marygrove Board of Trustees and staunch supporter of the College and its mission and vision for many years. Their daughter, **Kathleen Doherty** joined us along with her aunt, **Carol Ann Quigley, IHM '63,** and it was very special to see a new generation sharing their gifts with us.

The Quigley-Doherty family is making it possible for Marygrove students to continue and/or expand on their community-focused service and activities. We have many

### examples of students making these very kinds of contributions on page 4, where we highlight our High Honors award recipients. If you browse through the list, you'll be amazed by their achievements. You can imagine their families' pride, perhaps only out-measured by

The work of these exemplary students is just a sample of what is being done at the community level, emanating from all departments, divisions and entities of the College. The **Building Our Leadership In Detroit** (BOLD) program is helping to encourage and perpetuate these activities, as several BOLD mini-grants were awarded to faculty and staff for student leadership development in recent months. These grants are helping to secure and sustain new endeavors in the community, addressing such causes as children's welfare and education, the homeless and hungry, the plight of illiteracy, and much more. BOLD's progress on campus and within the larger community is making successful, steady inroads. And we are so thankful.

Gifts and support have been enormously gratifying this year, and as I mentioned before, the unprecedented matching pledge from Nan Geschke '64 is still going strong. I want to remind you all that your donations will be matched dollar for dollar throughout the fiscal year, ending on June 30, 2013. Through the power of giving, Marygrove can continue to grow and prosper in the great tradition on which it was founded. Just as the Quigley-Doherty family has shown us, the ability to unlock even one student's potential through education can be contagious—leading to an outpouring of love, compassion and community pride- an "epidemic" we can all benefit from. So, I encourage you to do your part as ambassadors of the College and proud members of this extended community.

## News from Alumni Association President Sherrie Konkus '06



With spring finally taking hold, our senior students are wrapping up their final coursework, getting caught up in the whirlwind of activity surrounding graduation, and pursuing entry into graduate school or the job market. I've been reflecting a great deal lately on what we as a college, and in particular what we as an alumni association, do to help students in terms of that last item: getting a job.

In a strong economy, graduating smart, talented students can be enough. As long as graduates are prepared to let their skills shine through during an interview (and Marygrove frequently offers sessions to help hone these skills), the market will take care of the rest.

During an economic downturn, however, students face increased competition for fewer jobs, and can have a great deal of difficulty even getting in the door for an interview. Today, in parallel with developing professional skills through their formal degree program, our students need to develop their job readiness skills, build a portfolio, and begin to establish a professional network. Networking can be particularly challenging for students that are the first in their family to earn a college degree, or those pursuing a completely different field of study from their relatives; they may lack established family networks to tap into, or resources at home that can advise them in their job search.

Marygrove alumni have a wealth of talent, connections, and experience that can help Marygrove students develop the skills and connections needed to land a job. I'd like our Alumni Association to focus on putting that expertise to work on behalf of our students to help them increase their readiness for the job market.

Alumni Director **Diane Puhl**, Vice President **Yesenia Lara**, and I have been meeting with our Career Services resource, **Melissa Sanders**, to understand how we can help. We're pursuing a broad range of initiatives that will increase the support we offer students as they pursue a career. These initiatives include launching a new software platform that will enable students and alumni to create and post resumes, and allow employers to view them; enhancing our Career Services web page; and improving the materials students can pick up and review at their convenience.

I invite your participation today and over the course of the next few years as we strengthen our support of students' readiness for the job market. Do you have specific advice for students in year 1, year 2, year 3, or year 4 of their academic program (e.g., a professional society they might join)? Do you know of internship or job opportunities in the community? Are you willing to serve as a mentor for students that share your major, serve on an Alumni committee that supports a particular department or help students create or tailor a resume and cover letter?

Please email or call me with your suggestions and/or willingness to help. I can be reached at skonkus9786@marygrove.edu or (248) 421-5514. Together we can help our newest and future alumni launch their careers!

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## News from the Division of Continuing Education and Career Enhancement

### Professional Development for Teachers

In January 2013, Marygrove College announced the addition of an exciting new complement of continuing education graduate recertification courses for teachers in cooperation with Learner's Edge, Inc. (LEI). The expanded course selection offers dynamic topics that are timely and relevant for educators, such as autism, bullying and addressing multiple intelligences. Tuition for the 3-credit courses is currently \$385 per course and includes textbooks.

The partnership promises to provide interesting, affordable, applicable and rigorous courses for classroom teachers, school administrators, school counselors, speech therapists, school nurses and other education professionals. These courses are designed to expand the knowledge base of professionals, enhance classroom instruction and ultimately increase student achievement, which is a foundational goal shared by both Marygrove and LEI.

"In this increasingly competitive climate for teachers, it is important to offer courses that keep teachers on top of their game," said Jo Ann Cusmano, Executive Director, Continuing Education and Career Enhancement at Marygrove. "We are very pleased to expand our offerings with quality courses in collaboration with Learner's Edge."

In cooperation with its academic partners, LEI has been devoted to helping teachers reach the highest level of success in their classrooms and their careers since 2002. Marygrove plans to continue growing the LEI schedule of classes. To see which Learner's Edge courses are currently being offered through Marygrove College, visit the Marygrove College Professional Development for Teachers webpage at. http://www.marygrove.edu/academics/ continuing-education/professionaldevelopment-for-teachers.html

• View the current list of Learner's Edge courses offered for credit through Marygrove College.

Teachers interested in enrolling for LEI courses at Marygrove College should contact

Learner's Edge to register at http://www.learnersedgeinc.com/ or toll-free at (877) 394-4930. Questions should be directed to Donna Kerry, Program Coordinator, Professional Development for Teachers at (313) 927-1276 (dkerry@marygrove.edu).

## Peer Recovery Mentor Certificate Program (PRMCP)

In collaboration with the Social Work Department, the Division of Continuing Education and Career Enhancement is pleased to announce the Peer Recovery Mentor Certificate Program. This 48 contacthour training program (48 CEUs calculated in accordance with MCBAP requirements for workshop and seminars) has been developed to provide the educational component that meets the Michigan Certification Board of Addiction Professionals (MCBAP) requirements and is designed to allow participants who successfully complete the program to share their recovery experiences with others as a means to further their recovery while helping others.

Marygrove College meets all the standards and criteria for an approved provider of training with MCBAP. Participants must have a high school diploma or GED and one-year of sobriety is suggested.

Course instructor, Michael Long, LLMSW, has an extensive peer recovery coach mentor background and serves as a board member of the Oakland County Substance Abuse Services (OSAS) Advisory Council.

Two peer recovery sessions are scheduled:

Spring 2013 Session • 4 Weeks • \$499 Friday/Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. May 17, 18, 31 and June 1, 7, 8, 14, 15

Summer 2013 Session • 2 Weeks • \$499 Monday/Wednesday/Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. July 15, 17, 18, 22, 24, 26

Participants may register by calling (313) 927-1692.

For questions, please contact Michael Long at mlong0224@marygrove.edu.

## "REIMAGINING OUR AGING" WORKSHOP

As the 14 women who had spent a Saturday in February talking, laughing, reflecting and crying a little spoke about what they were taking away, they said, "I'm learning how to accept the gifts of getting older." "I realize I'm not alone in this and am surrounded by community." "The positive energy will stay with me!" "I will focus on maximizing each moment and taking the time to smell the roses." "Our discussion about choosing interdependence over independence or dependence was important to me." "I can't believe all the new info I'm taking away!"

The "Reimagining Our Aging" Workshop, which will be offered again on Saturday, October 19, 2013 from 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., is a workshop designed by its presenter Maureen Sheahan, an Adjunct Faculty member in our Continuing Education Division. She has been so inspired by ideas in a series of books by Dr. Bill Thomas, beginning with "What Are Old People For?" that she wanted to create opportunities to share the ideas and bring Baby Boomers and others together to explore the challenging and positive realities of getting older.

As one of the participants said, she loved the session because "Maureen wasn't talking at us all day." Instead, the workshop is a series of pair, individual and small group brainstorms and dialogue, interspersed with interactive presentations of information and large group discussions. The wisdom, the experience, the struggles and the joys of everyone are brought into the room to create an enriching and pleasurable time. We're excited to add this session to our offerings and encourage alumni to register! For more information or to register, please contact Theresa Jordan at (313) 927-1261.

## Marygrove Recognizes Academic Excellence at 2013 Honors Convocation

Marygrove students and their families attended the annual Honors Convocation March 24 to recognize their achievement for the 2012-13 school year. Out of the hundreds of students honored, seven students received High Honors this year, and we applaud their leadership.



Haggins

Dudek





Price

Howard





Collins

Bicoll

### THE DISTINGUISHED STUDENT **AWARD**

Given to a graduating senior with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better, the Distinguished Student Award honors academic excellence, leadership ability and service to the community.

Krysta Haggins is a senior majoring in Biology and minoring in Chemistry with a 3.922 cumulative GPA. Krysta intends to study veterinary medicine. She is a member of numerous organizations such as Anointed Bodies, a dance ministry, and Project Outpour. Krysta is the secretary of the National Science and Mathematics Honor Society's Beta Upsilon Chapter at Marygrove. Krysta is a peer mentor for the Science and Math Department and is on the Marygrove Women's Golf Team. She has earned numerous academic honors, among those are the Sister Suzanne-Fleming, IHM Scholarship.

### **SR. JOHN CLEMENT HUNGERMAN SCHOLARSHIP**

One sophomore or junior is selected each year to receive this grant that pays for tuition and fees. Candidates must exemplify Sister John Clement's interests and ideals, have successfully completed at least 24 hours of study at Marygrove, and have maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better.

David Dudek is a junior majoring in Social Work with a GPA of 4.0. Although he does not have his own transportation from his home in the northeastern

suburbs of Detroit, David finds a way to get to campus and make an outstanding contribution. He and fellow student Jason Foltz cofounded a non-profit called Prevention Concepts—a peer recovery service in the Detroit area dedicated to working individuals who need additional support in dealing with their substance abuse. Despite his own financial need, David continually devotes all of his resources toward helping others.

### THE BRIGGS-FISHER FOUNDATION ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR URBAN **LEADERSHIP**

Established by the Briggs-Fisher Foundation, this scholarship assists students from the metropolitan Detroit area who plan to remain in the area after graduation. These students are selected based on the promise that their future achievements and civic leadership contribute to effecting positive change in the city of Detroit. Award recipients must maintain a full-time course of study, have graduated from a metropolitan Detroitarea high school and have maintained a GPA of at least 3.0.

Keisha Price is a sophomore majoring in Religious Studies with a GPA of 3.639. She is the founder of the SASHA Center, a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to the healing and assistance of survivors of sexual assault in the city of Detroit. Keisha will tell you that she feels it is her life's mission to serve and educate others, and as a long-time mentor she has helped many survivors learn effective strategies for positive communication and for forming positive relationshipsthe kinds of things that promote

greater healing in these very sensitive circumstances.

**Stanley Howard** is a senior majoring in language arts with a GPA of 3.078. He plans on making a career out of teaching. He is deeply involved in community projects, and for the past 15 years Stanley has been running a successful youth program that he founded with two friends in his Detroit neighborhood. The Motor City Heat basketball program began as a Detroit Police Athletic League and expanded to 30 teams in the Amateur Athletic Union, (AAU). Stanley's role today is focused on programming and mentoring, and he is currently developing a reading program out of Heilman Recreation Center on the city's east side.

### THE ST. CATHERINE MEDAL

This medal is presented by Marygrove College through Kappa Gamma Pi, a national Catholic honor society, to further higher ideals in and greater appreciation for a Catholic college education. The award is presented annually to a sophomore or junior who has achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better and who has performed outstanding service to the College.

Rebecca Collins is a junior with a double major studying both Biology and Environmental Studies. She is also a student athlete who maintains a 3.832 GPA while playing soccer and managing a rigorous schedule of science courses. Rebecca also finds time to work with Dr. Steve Scribner on the Third 90 project.

This project involves teaching students from Detroit-area high schools about environmental issues. Rebecca has helped students learn how to take water and aquatic life samples at Belle Isle and on the River Raisin as well as help to direct their water chemical testing at Marygrove.

### THE SHAY FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

This scholarship is provided to a returning Marygrove student who has demonstrated academic excellence, leadership ability and high ethical standards of conduct.

**Paige Bicoll** is a junior majoring in Biology and has a 3.989 GPA. Since her freshman year, she has always served as a role model to her professors and peers. She is extremely devoted to her studies and maintains a stellar academic record. She is a member of Sigma Zeta Beta Upsilon, the MGC chapter of the National Science and Mathematics honor society, as well as the Marygrove College women's soccer team. She always goes the "extra mile"—whether it is on the soccer field, completing an arduous lab report, helping out a fellow classmate, or tutoring students.

Celebrating with us at the 2013 Honors Convocation, were founders and sponsors of two scholarships:



#### New for 2013: QUIGLEY DOHERTY FAMILY ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Photo L to R: Doherty family friend Barbara Brooks, Kathleen Doherty, Carol Quigley, '63, IHM and Dr. David Fike, Marygrove President (Awardee not pictured: Ginette Balbin-Cuesta)



Continuing Scholarship: SISTER RITA KILLEEN, IHM URBAN EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP Photo L to R: Christine Koenig Seguin, Marygrove Dean of Education, Charles Pelzer, Veronica Pelzer, '54 Awardee Tamra Chapple and Dr. David Fike, Marygrove President

# CALLED TO SERVE

"I desire to be everywhere when I see so many needs" —Louis Florent Gillett, IHM Co-founder







## Opportunities for young adult women June 2-8, 2013

## College and post-college-aged women an opportunity to:

- Create a community of women with shared values
- Experience Communal Prayer
- Serve those in need
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   Reflect on experience through a theological process
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**Mary Lou Sitter Orrico '54** celebrated her 80th birthday on May 25, 2012. Her children and grandchildren gave her a special tribute thanking her for teaching them through her loving example the importance of leading a life filled with generosity and kindness to others.

The **Class of 1955** held their second annual spring luncheon on April 24, 2013 at Peabody's Restaurant in Birmingham. Many class members attended the luncheon and spent the afternoon renewing friendships, reminiscing and enjoying good food. A great time was had by all! **Carolyn Blinzley Gayde '55 and Glenda Krause Boyd '55**, event organizers, are already looking forward to the 3rd annual luncheon next spring.



Anne Marie Abel Searer '61 helped organize the Nuns on the Bus visit to Hershey, PA in June 2012.

**Suzanne Boivin Sommerville '62** has been writing for *Michigan's Habitant Heritage*, the journal of the French-Canadian Heritage Society of Michigan, since 1999.



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Nancy McDonough Geschke '64 and her husband Charles were honored by the National Catholic Education Association with the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Award in October 2012. The award recognizes

outstanding contributions to the wellbeing of our nation's youth and to Catholic education. It is the highest honor given by Catholic educators.



Jane Hammang-Buhl '68 plans to retire in June after 29 years of service to Marygrove College. She has served as the Vice President of Academic Affairs for the past 4 years.

Prior to that, Jane held the positions of Business department faculty member, department chair for the Business & Computer Information Systems and Human Resource Management programs and Dean of Professional Studies. She was the recipient of the Presidential Award for Excellence in Teaching and the Presidential Award for Excellence in Service.



Lorraine Lubawy Ozar '68 was honored by the National Catholic Educational Association with the President's Award in recognition of her

lifelong service to Catholic Education. She received the award at the 22nd NCEA Seton Awards dinner in October 2012.

Ann Ammond LaFond '71 was profiled in the October 2012 issue of HOUR DETROIT (www.hourdetroit.com). Ann is a Dermatologist in Canton, MI and she was asked to share facial skin tips.

Laura Glinski Gabella '71 will earn a master's degree in sustainable systems in December.

Lois Kerschen '72 recently published her book American Proverbs About Women in paperback and Kindle form (www. loiskerschen.com). The book provides both a fun and shocking look at what we say about women in our culture.

Andrea MacVicar '77 announced the release of her book "Secret of the Laurel Crown" in December 2012. It is an adventure story that shows love conquers all though a strong female lead character. More information can be found at www. andreamacvicar.org.

Judith Reed Ligosky '78 had a career in journalism and public relations. She is retired from the Royal Oak Public Library, where she served as secretary. Her daughter Allison, who lived with her in Madame Cadillac Hall, died in 1994 at the age of 23 of undiagnosed Marfan Syndrome, which Judith now has. She is married to painter Stephen Ligosky and resides in the Jefferson/Chalmers area of Detroit.



Mary Hansknecht Massaron Ross '82 was installed as President of the DRI - The Voice of the Defense Bar (DRI). She currently serves as Plunkett Cooney's

Appellate Law Practice Group Leader and is a member of the firm's Board of Directors. She became President of DRI for a one-year term during the DRI annual meeting on Oct. 24-28 in New Orleans, Louisiana.



(submissions from March 2012 to April 2013)



Sharnita Chervell Johnson '87 joined the W.K. Kellogg Foundation as a program officer. She will work with the foundation's Education and

Learning team to develop programming priorities as well as identify and nurture opportunities to affect positive change within communities.

### **Jocelyn Wooten Giangrande '95**

uses her corporate experience to help women build careers. She is the author of *What's in Your Sandwich? 10 Surefire Ingredients for Career Success,* published last fall. Much like a cookbook, Giangrande and other "chefs" (executive leaders) advise women on identifying key ingredients missing from their career goals and strategies.

**Teresa Petti '02** moved to Melbourne, Florida, where she is enjoying life after her recent retirement.

Jacqulyn Smart '02 has been named the 2012 State Woman of Distinction, the highest state honor given to a member of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is a professional honorary society of women in education. Smart is the immediate past president of Alpha lota State - Michigan DKG. She was honored during the recent Alpha lota State Convention in Kalamazoo. A member of Gamma Alpha Chapter, Livonia, since 1990, Smart has served as president of her chapter and at the state level. **Dana Parker '04** was named director of development at UC Clermont College in Batavia, OH. She has a background in both public education and non-profit fundraising and has served as a special education teacher, peer evaluator, teacher-mentor, fundraiser, athletic coach and advisor for young adults.

**Donna Lake '05** was appointed to the Board of Trustees at Jackson Community College (MI).



Shanelle Jackson '07 was appointed regional deputy director with the Michigan Department of Transportation. She is responsible for outreach

to get the transit authority of southeast Michigan up and running.



Amy Lange '08 was honored and humbled to be selected as a finalist for SPJ's (Society of Professional Journalists) Journalist of the Year Award.

Jacquis Bullock '11 received an offer from Duke University Hospital for their neuroscience ICU. She is extremely excited because her supervisor started the S.A.N.E. (Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner) Program at Duke University Hospital so she will be able to use her forensic science education as well as her nursing degree.

## In Memorian

(Reported January – April 2013)

### DECEASED ALUMS

Mary McNamee Doyle '39 Mary Stephens McCabe '42 Helen D'Alleva Pagoto '42 Margaret Malaney Swartout '42 Charlotte Whitcomb Budde '44 Jeanne Rouen DeLisle '45 Mary Ann Collins Stewart '46 Mary Falle Kouri '47 Inez D'Alleva Watson '47 Ruthann Finneren Foerg '48 Patricia Hewitt, IHM '51 M. Patricia Gallagher '52 Dolores Sousa Kaza '52 Dorothy Ryan Langan '53 Carol Beneduci Cash '55 Margaret Zuch '55 Helen Shondell, IHM '56 Marilyn Abel '60 Kathleen Dearing '63 Mary Toupalik Densmore '66 Peggy Pais Rettof '71 Anthony Maher '86 David Mathews '87 Karen Simmons '97 Myra Wolfe Feller '00 Judy Durren '01 Beverly Saunders '05

### DECEASED RELATIVES OF ALUMS

Husband of: Mary Donnelly Birkam '47 Genevieve Lombard Burns '48 Margaret Schoell Constan '48 Rhea Butler Krolikiewicz '57 Janice Chandler Skilbeck '69

Mother of: Bridget Puhl Morin '71 <u>Ellen Duncan '</u>82

Father of: Barbara Papa Konyvka '65 Elizabeth Burns '72

Sister of: Patricia Zuch Truskowski '51 Nancy Rouen Coles '54 Anne Marie Abel Searer '61 K'Ailene McGlothen '95 Doretha Hill Bright '96 Kimberly McGlothen Bates '09

Brother of: Regina Gilleran Butler '51 Helen Gilleran Roach '52 Elizabeth MacDonald Phillips '59

Daughter of: Ann Doherty Mercure '56 Joyce Brazina Urbanic '67

Son of: Rhea Butler Krolikiewicz '57

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This is Mustang Terr

What Makes Up A Marygrove Student-Athlete? All-Americans, Academic Excellence, and Service!



**MUSTANGS HOST AWARDS RECEPTION** What an academic year 2012-13 has been for Mustang Athletics! This year played witness to our athletic teams participating in their inaugural season of Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference (WHAC) action. The fall and winter sports seasons brought plenty of memories for our student-athletes as they competed on-and-off the playing field to become the best they can be. Plenty of onfield moments were celebrated, but the most important achievements of all came via the classroom where many student-athletes were honored for their dedication to their academic

The many accomplishments led to an evening entitled The Mane Event: Mustang Athletic Awards. Dave Sichterman, Marygrove's Director of Athletics & Wellness, made it a night to remember when he announced the end-of-the-year awards reception was to be held at MotorCity Casino's Amnesia Room in mid-April. The awards reception was a semiformal affair similar to the ESPY Awards on ESPN in an environment that overlooked the city's evening skyline.

During the event, many Mustangs were awarded for their outstanding work in the classroom, in their sport, and in the community. Some of the awards doled out were: Mustang Award (Outstanding Academics, Athletics, and Service), Senior Award (Four Years of Athletic Excellence), Athlete of the Year (Most Outstanding Athlete of 2012-13), Academic Team of the Year, and the Green & Gold Award (Best Supporter of All Sports).

### **ALL-AMERICANS**

As of April 1, 2013, five student-athletes received the national distinction of becoming United States Collegiate Athletic Association (USCAA) All-Americans. The achievements come after seasons in which the five studentathletes propelled themselves into the ranks of the nation's elite student-athletes at the small college level. Of the five, Jessica

Niemi (Swartz Creek, Mich./Swartz Creek) became Marygrove's first four-time First Team All-American in the 10-plus year history of Mustang Athletics. Jordan Berry (Dearborn, Mich./Crestwood) followed closely after becoming a four-time All-American with nominations from honorable mention to first team status throughout the course of his

The success continued at the conference level as several Mustangs made their mark in the WHAC. In total, four student-athletes were named to the WHAC All-Conference teams from their sport. The four student-athletes: Jordan Berry, Abdoullie Jallow (Bansang, The Gambia/Rust College), Keara Marks (Detroit, Mich./Renaissance), and Jessica Niemi all completed terrific seasons to earn the right to be on the heralded conference list.

#### ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICANS AND MORE

A staggering fifteen student-athletes were celebrated as Academic All-Americans by the USCAA at the conclusion of their respective seasons this year, while an equal fifteen student-athletes capped off their first season in the WHAC by being named to the conference's All-Academic Team. The impressive academic honors were rounded out by seven more that were named an NAIA Daktronics Scholar-Athlete.

To be named a USCAA Academic All-American, a student-athlete must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5 with sophomore or above academic standing. Qualifiers for the NAIA-Daktronics Scholar-Athlete award must maintain a mirrored 3.5 cumulative GPA but have junior or above academic standing. The WHAC Academic All-Conference awardees were those with junior or above academic standing and a minimum of a 3.25 cumulative GPA.

Internally, over 40 student-athletes were recognized at the end of the Fall 2012 semester by Marygrove's Director of Athletics & Wellness, Dave Sichterman, with the

release of the semi-annual Athletic Director Honor Roll. The 40-plus student-athletes of 3.25 or higher while enrolling in and completing a minimum of 12 credit hours.

#### LIFE SAVERS! BLOOD DRIVE PRODUCES RECORD NUMBERS

On Tuesday, March 19, Assistant Athletic Director for Sports Medicine & Wellness William Pugh, spearheaded the 2013 Red Cross Blood Drive with help from three Mustang student-athletes - Ysen Dalipi (Dearborn, Mich./Crestwood), Gaven King (Livonia, Mich./Clarenceville), and Kaitlyn Vigna (Marine City, Mich./Marine City). Pugh would follow up the Blood Drive with the annual Wellness Fair a day later to round out a successful 2013 Health Week.

This year's event, co-chaired by the three aforementioned student-athletes representing the American Red Cross and the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Leadership Program, helped potentially save an astounding 99 lives through the collection of 33 units (pints) of blood.

### PICK UP STICKS! MEN'S LACROSSE UPDATE

Alumni, don't forget about our newest sport – Men's Lacrosse! Led by head coach and Warren De La Salle alum, John Tersigni, the first-year varsity program will be up and running beginning Fall 2013. A spring sport, lacrosse will look to make its mark on campus in the fall when they hit the practice field for the first time in Marygrove history. Plenty of interested student-athletes have filled out a "Recruit Me!" form on MarygroveMustangs.com and are in the mix to become new students at Marygrove this fall thanks to the addition of the new program.

In 2012 the Marygrove College Alumni Association renamed its annual golf outing after someone who had a profound impact on Marygrove College-Sr. Jan Soleau, IHM '59. Through her decades of work in alumni relations and development, Sr. Jan was a tireless advocate for the College and its mission. She was also an ardent supporter of this event.

Proceeds from this year's outing will benefit the Jan Soleau, IHM Student Support Fund, which provides support to Marygrove students who have faced extraordinary circumstances on their path to achieving a college degree. To date, this annual event has provided more than \$100,000 in assistance to students. Whether you are a sponsor, golfer or simply someone who enjoys a good dinner for a great cause, we hope you will join us!

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## Marygrove College 12th Annual Sr. Jan Soleau Memorial Swing and a Prayer Golf Scramble

Thursday, September 19, 2013 • 11:00 a.m. Beacon Hill Golf Club • Commerce Township, Michigan

nnual Sr. Jan Soleau Memorial Swing and a Prayer Golf Scramble Thursday • September 19, 2013 • 11:00 a.m. • Beacon Hill Golf Club • Commerce Township, Michigan

Cost: \$125 per person \$50 Dinner Only Name	and includes: • 18 holes of golf with cart • Buffet dinner • Contest prizes • Lunch at the turn	<ul> <li>Two drink tickets</li> <li>Door prizes</li> </ul>	are welcome. You m	ay register individua mble. We guarantee tact Diane Puhl at (	ally, with a partner, or with a lots of fun and surprises! I	riends, and family. All skill levels n entire foursome. The format f you need more information or Yes.	
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Payment Method: D Check End Make Checks Payable to: Marygro Card No.	ove College (Tax-deductible ad		a fail the second		ly to Marygrove College.)	REGISTRATION DEADLINE Friday, August 30, 2013 Space limited so act quickly!	
If you are paying for more than one person, list names here:							
I would like the following golfe	ers in my foursome: 1	3		2			
I would like to be placed on a	team.						
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## 2013 Alumni Reunion Weekend Schedule of Events

### Thursday, September 19

**12th Annual Sr. Jan Soleau Memorial Swing and a Prayer Golf Scramble** 11:00 a.m. • Beacon Hill Golf Club, Commerce Township

This event includes 18 holes with cart, continental breakfast, lunch at the turn, buffet dinner, two drink tickets on the course, open bar at dinner and contest prizes. All skill levels are welcome. You



may register individually, with a partner or with an entire foursome. The format will be best ball/scramble. **Cost is \$125 per golfer or \$50 for dinner only. Registration deadline is Friday, August 30.** Complete form on page 9 to register. If you have questions or need more information contact **Diane Puhl**, Director of Alumni Relations/Annual Giving at (313) 927-1443 or dpuhl@marygrove.edu.

### Friday, September 20 Distinguished Alumni Awards Ceremony and Reception 7:00 - 10:30 p.m. • Marygrove College

Theatre and Denk Chapman Hall.



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Marygrove College Distinguished Alumni Awards were established to recognize

and honor alumni of distinction. These awards celebrate Marygrove's ideals of competence, commitment and compassion. All alumni are invited to attend the award ceremony in the Marygrove theatre and then enjoy refreshments, conversation and live music at the reception that follows in Denk Chapman Hall.

Saturday, September 21 **Registration and Continental Breakfast** 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. • Madame Cadillac Building



### Mass

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. • Sacred Heart Chapel An alumni choir, under the direction of alumnus **Tom Zerafa '91**, will sing at this mass and you are invited to join them.



### Class/Group Pictures 11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Liberal Arts Building Pictures will be taken of cla

Pictures will be taken of classes whose graduation year ends in 3 or 8 (1958, 1963, etc.).

Lunch and Program 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. • Alumnae Hall Campus Tours 2:15 – 3:30 p.m. • Madame Cadillac Hall

Men's Varsity Soccer Game vs. Lawrence Tech and Tailgate 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. • Marygrove Soccer Field

Sunday, September 22 Golden Jubilee Celebration Mass honoring the Class of 1963 11:00 a.m. - Noon • Sacred Heart Chapel

Brunch and Induction of the Class of 1963 into the Fifty Year Club and Recognition of Those Who Graduated Prior to 1963 Noon - 2:00 p.m. • Main Dining Room

### **Hotel Reservations**

A block of rooms is being held at **The Doubletree by Hilton** which is located at 5801 Southfield Expressway, Detroit, MI 48228. You may reserve a single, double triple or quad occupancy room for Thursday, Friday, Saturday and/or Sunday

night for a discounted rate of \$99 per night. **To make reservations, call (313) 336-3340 or (800) 222-8733 and identify yourself as a member of the Marygrove College 2013 Alumni Reunion.** You can also register on-line at http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/ groups/personalized/D/DTTDBDT-MGR-20130919/index.jhtml?WT.

mc\_id=POG. Reservations must be made by August 29, 2013 to guarantee this special rate.

Registration materials will be mailed to all reunion class members in July, however everyone, regardless of graduation year, is invited to attend. For more information contact **Diane Puhl**, Director of Alumni Relations/Alumni Annual Giving at (313) 927-1443 or dpuhl@marygrove.edu.

## 2013 Distinguished Alumni Award Criteria

The Marygrove College Distinguished Alumni Awards are honors bestowed by Marygrove College and the Marygrove College Alumni Association.These awards have been established to recognize and honor alumni who have distinguished themselves and their alma mater.

All living Marygrove College alumni who have earned undergraduate or graduate degrees are eligible for this award. Alumni, family, friends, co-workers, faculty, staff and students may submit nominations. Self-nominations are also accepted. The Alumni Association Advisory Council will review nominations and select the award recipients.

The Distinguished Alumni Awards celebrate the ideals of **competence** (the ability to understand and participate effectively in the promise of our evolving world), **compassion** (the capacity to care about and respect the worth and dignity of people), and **commitment** (the will to act responsibly based upon one's beliefs and to contribute to the building of a more just and humane world), qualities that Marygrove has always tried to instill in its graduates.

These awards honor graduates who have made significant contributions and demonstrated leadership in any of the following areas:

- Professional, educational or artistic endeavors
- The community through government service and/or civic organizations (such as Lions Club, City Planning Commissions, government committees, etc.)
- Political action, social justice or volunteer activities in schools, hospitals, etc.
- Marygrove College

Based on the number of qualified applicants, up to six awards will be given annually. For one of these awards, special consideration will be given to alumni who graduated within the last 15 years. All nominations will remain on file and will be reconsidered for two consecutive years.

### The Distinguished Alumni Awards will be presented on Friday, Sept. 20, 2013, at a special recognition event during Alumni Reunion weekend.

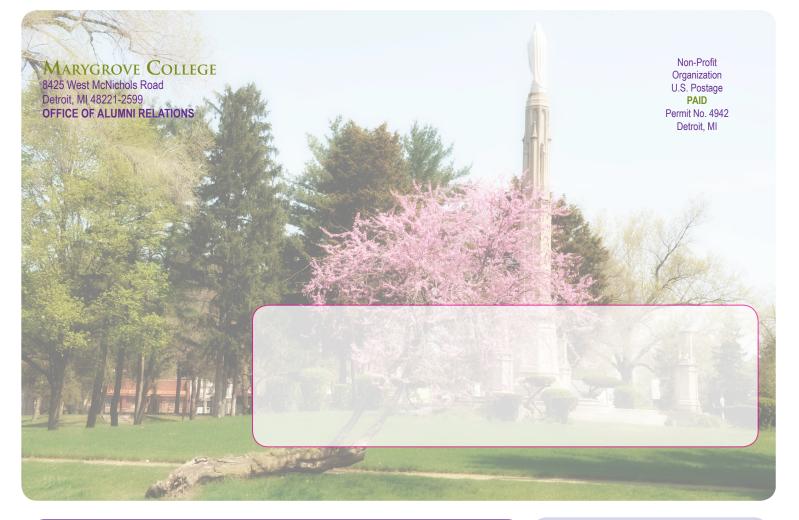
Please make your nomination using the form below and include the required documentation. You can also read about past award recipients at: www.marygrove.edu.



Nominations are due by May 31, 2013.

Marygrove College 2013 Distinguished Alumni Nomination Form								
Nominee Information Name Year of Graduation	Nominator Information _ Submitted by	Nomination Requirements Three letters of recommendation. In addition to the nomination form, a letter from the nominator and two additional letters must be included. Letters of support may be written by the nominec, fellow alumni, family, friends, faculty, staff, students or co-workers. Please advise those writing letters to be as specific as possible as to why this person is being nominated and how he/she meets the criteria for the award. For example, it is not sufficient to say your may nominee is a wonderful person who has been involved with may organizations. Be specific. Name the organizations the person is or was involved with; state how his/her involvement as impacted the organization; describe how the nominee's novelvement exemplifies Marygrove's ideals of competence, comparison and commitment. Supplemental documentation is strongly encouraged, e., vita, newspaper articles.						
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come Phone ( )	Business Phone ( ) E-mail Address							
	Graduation year and major  I have contacted the nominee to inform him/her of this nomination.	Marygrove College Distinguished Alumni Awards 8425 W. McNichols Road Detroit, Michigan 48221-2599 If you have any questions or need more information, you are strongly encouraged to contact <b>Diane Puhl, Director of</b> Alumni Relations, at 313.927.1443 or dpuhl@marygrove.edu.						

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## Institute of Music & Dance Offers Performance Opportunities

The Institute of Music & Dance (IMD) at Marygrove College continues to engage its students in performance opportunities. The Marygrove College Theatre will host:

- IMD String Ensemble Friday, May 31, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.
- Student/Faculty Music Recital Saturday, June 1 at 4:00 p.m.
- IMD Student Dance Concert June 8 & 9 at 4:00 p.m.

Summer IMD programs begin July 8, 2013 and culminate in performances and art exhibits.

The 44th annual Festival of Dance will take place the week of August 12-17. It consists of six full days of technique classes/rehearsals/choreography, ending in a showcase performance in the Marygrove College Theatre. International master artists including Gregory Robinson and Ray Mercer will be instructing. A Scholarship Audition will be held May 5 at 10:00 a.m. at Marygrove College.

For more information on any of these events, call (313) 927-1306.

### Marygrove Launches Tool to Assist Students and Alumni Seeking Employment

Marygrove is pleased to announce the launch of the *Marygrove Career Connector*, a career services application that is available to the Marygrove community. Students and Alumni can login to a user interface to create or upload a resume, apply for jobs, sign up for interviews and more.

Employers can seamlessly post jobs, develop organization profiles and peruse resumes to place potential candidates.

For more information or to be added to the *Marygrove Career Connector* please contact **Melissa Sanders**, Assistant Director of Work Experience and Placement Services at (313) 927-1844 or msanders@marygrove.edu or **Diane Puhl**, Director of Alumni Relations at (313) 927-1443 or dpuhl@marygrove.edu.