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GOOD COUNSEL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Transforming the world through education



School Sisters
of Notre Dame
Central Pacific Province

The School Sisters of Notre Dame have taught thousands of students throughout the United States, Africa and Latin America. Today their ministry of education has expanded through advocacy and service to those in need within parishes, crisis shelters, nursing homes and social service centers. For the School Sisters of Notre Dame education means helping people reach the fullness of their potential.

With the formation of the new Central Pacific Province education takes on even a larger picture for the School Sisters of Notre Dame. We all know the story of Good Counsel Academy in Mankato, but what education pieces form the heart of the SSNDs in the new Central Pacific Province?

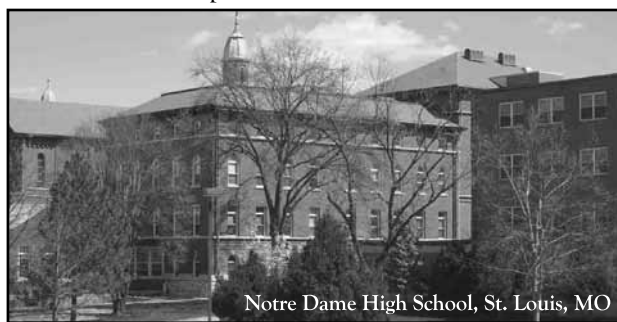
All girl high school education is still going strong in St. Louis, MO. The School Sisters of Notre Dame started Notre Dame High School in 1934 for day students and aspirants. The school actually began in 1897 as Sancta Maria in Ripa High School. At that time the school provided education for young women interested in becoming a School Sister of Notre Dame and who had not completed high school.

For the last 77 years, Notre Dame High School's mission is to educate young women to become confident, compassionate Christian leaders. In 1971, the teacher-centered approach to education changed to student-centered education. The individualized approach enables their students' education to be personalized for the individual. They currently have a teacher to student ratio of 1:13. One hundred percent of the Notre Dame High School students pursue higher education.

They have over 7200 alumnae and 1 out of 10 faculty members are SSNDs.

The ideals of Notre Dame High School mirror what was expected from the Good Counsel Academy girls at the Good Counsel Campus in Mankato, MN. The SSNDs taught us and continue to teach women to become lifelong learners, nurtured our personal and faith lives, instilled confidence, team work, respect and the importance of friendship bonds that remain for a life time.

St. Louis, MO also sponsors Marian Middle School.



Notre Dame High School, St. Louis, MO

Responsibility and respect are part of the basis of a faith-filled quality education. They teach communication skills, critical thinking, problem solving, leadership and life skills. The result is strong self-worth and confidence among their students.

Notre Dames from Elm Grove Campus Milwaukee, WI, opened the first 4-year degree Catholic College for women in 1913. Currently Mount Mary College has 60 undergraduate degrees for women and 8 graduate degrees for women and men. They have 1900 students on their campus. Mount Mary College develops women to be leaders in their professions and communities. Women are educated to serve as role models.

In 1968, the SSNDs of the Elm Grove Campus began Notre Dame High School in Talofofo, Guam. This is a Catholic co-ed secondary school. It is a prep school for college but also provides lifelong learning and strives to

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empower the whole person. The SSNDs encourage collaboration, leadership, dedication to service and the passion for justice and peace.

Also in Milwaukee, Notre Dame Middle School was founded in 1996 for girls in grades 5-8. The motto of this school is Responsibility, Regalo (Gift) and Respect. The student setting is bi-literate (Spanish and English). Leadership skills, critical thinking and social justice empower these young women to contribute to their community and prepares them to attend college preparatory high schools.

St. Mary of the Pines in Chatawa, MS from the Dallas Campus maintains an Alumnae Association. St. Mary of the Pines was started in 1871 by the Redemptorist priests. In 1874 they brought three School Sisters of Notre Dame to help teach the students. By 1879 the SSNDs bought the school. In 1880, the sisters built a new school and by 1916 the school was fully accredited. Because of declining enrollment the school closed in 1973. St. Mary of the Pines is now a retreat and renewal center.

The School Sisters of Notre Dame of the Dallas, TX, Campus, started Notre Dame School in 1963. This school provides educational opportunities for the mild to moderate mentally disabled students from the ages of 6-21. Their motto is "No Limits, Just Possibilities." Ages 6-14 attend the special school which concentrates on individual achievement, academics and functional living skills. Speech, music and occupational therapy are included. The vocational school is for 15-21 year

old students. Independent living skills, job skills and career exploration are taught to these students. The goal is to develop self-confidence and appropriate work skills and habits.

Outreach education is also sponsored by all SSND Central Pacific Province campuses. Our Lady of Good Counsel Campus in Mankato has three outreach education centers. The Good Counsel Learning Center in Mankato provides tutoring for students from grade one through adult. Eastside Learning Center provides one-to-one tutoring for students in kindergarten through fourth grade on the east side of St. Paul, MN. The SSNDs work with the St. Paul Public Schools at Eastside Learning Center. MORE (Multi-cultural School for Empowerment) is a multi-cultural, multi-racial community-based organization. Their focus is to empower individuals and their community by adult education, basic living needs, issue organization and leadership development.

The Immigrant and Women's Refuge Program in St. Louis, MO teaches immigrants and refugees basic English and practical living skills. Reducing the isolation of immigrant and refugee women and teaching them independence are goals of the program.

The Elm Grove Campus in Wisconsin started the Milwaukee Achiever Literacy Services in 1983. They provide adult literacy education for economically and educationally disadvantaged in the greater Milwaukee area.

The Dallas Campus has two outreach

education groups. In Canton, MS the Notre Dame Education Center was opened in 1997. One of the main needs in the south is to provide opportunity for literacy education. The Center provides basic literacy classes as well as classes to prepare students for the GED (General High School Equivalency Diploma) exam. They have both young and older students. A program called Progressive Education Program Inc. (PEPI) opened in 1976 in New Iberia, LA to educate field hands from the sugar cane plantation areas. Today they provide vocational education as well as GED classes. Their mission is to develop the field hands to their fullest potential.

As you can see, the expansion of the SSNDs through the new Central Pacific Province continues to Transform the World Through Education.

New members needed for the Good Counsel Alumnae Board

We currently are in need of new members for the Good Counsel Alumnae Board. The Good Counsel Alumnae Board is a very important part of our Alumnae Association. They provide the Alumnae Coordinator, support and help with decision making and planning alumnae activities. The Alumnae Board meets three times a year.

Over the years the Board has been dedicated to maintaining our relationship with the School Sisters of Notre Dame who taught us so many life lessons, keeping our alumnae connected with classmates and preserving our archives in the Good Counsel Heritage Center. We would love to have you become a part of preserving our connections with Good Counsel and the School Sisters of Notre Dame. Please contact the Alumnae Office if you would like to be a part of the Good Counsel Alumnae Board.

A Legacy Gift

Your legacy gift can help make God's love visible as it supports the SSND mission. Your legacy gift assists SSNDs in active ministry and in retirement. Bequests, life insurance and retirement plan gifts, charitable gift annuities and trusts of various kinds will help build the future.

For more information, please contact:
Sister Monica Wagner, Development Donor Relations
507-389-4231 or mlwagner@ssndmankato.org.

Mark *Your* CALENDAR!

ALUMNAE MASS

11:00 AM

Our Lady of Good Counsel Chapel
Mankato, MN

(4th Thursday of the month)

October 27th

November 23 (Wednesday)

December 29th

January 26th

February 23rd

March 22nd

QUILT AUCTION

October 29, 2011

St. Edward's Church

Bloomington, MN

(Live online auction available!)

MEMORIAL MASS

November, 2, 2011

9:30 am

Our Lady of Good Counsel Chapel
Mankato, MN

11TH DAY PRAYER FOR PEACE

Every 11th day of the month

5:30-6:00 pm

Our Lady of Good Counsel Campus
(*Outside by the Peace Pole or in the chapel*)
Mankato, MN

ART SHOWING AND SALE OF WOODCARVINGS

In My Vision Woodcarving Studio

By Sister Mary Ann Osborne '69

November 19th

10 am to 4:30 pm

Our Lady of Good Counsel Campus
Mankato, MN

HOMECOMING 2012

April 29, 2012

Our Lady of Good Counsel Campus
Mankato, MN

You are all invited to Homecoming 2012!

Please mark your calendar for the annual Good Counsel
Homecoming. Please join us April 29, 2012 at
Our Lady of Good Counsel Campus in Mankato, MN.

Last year we had 180 Good Counsel graduates here from all over the United States. The gratitude Good Counsel graduates have for our education is shown by distance they will travel to be back on "the hill." Did you realize September 16, 2012 will mark 100 years since the first Good Counsel girls began their education here in Mankato?

Please mark your calendar today and plan to enjoy a day with your classmates and teachers. Email your friends and make plans together. Many of your classmates are making this a priority and they would love to see you. We guarantee you will have a fabulous time!

We are looking forward to seeing all of you in April! Please contact your class representatives or the alumnae office for details on additional reunion plans.

The Alumnae Board

Homecoming Schedule of events:

9:30 AM: Registration

(Our Lady of Good Counsel Campus)

11:00 AM: Mass

(Our Lady of Good Counsel Chapel)

12:15 PM: Luncheon

1:30 PM: Visiting former teachers, tours and spending time with classmates.



Classmates from 1951 celebrate their 69th class reunion. Pictured are Sister Mary Edwin (Dorena) Lanners, Mary Cunningham, Sister Pat Frost, Anna Marie Bauer Hauch and Sister Anne Becker.



Members of the Central Pacific Province Leadership Team were installed June 12, 2011.

Seated (l to r): Sisters Susan Jordan, Helen Jane Jaeb, Dianne Perry, and Maria Elena Ferrer-Lopez. Standing (l to r): Sisters Kathryn Frank, Carol Ann Prenger, Mary Anne Owens (Provincial Leader), Joan DiProsper, and Marjoire Klein.

Congratulations!

Sister Helen Jane Jaeb '68 was installed as one of the inaugural Provincial Councilors for the new School Sisters of Notre Dame Central Pacific Province. Installation of the new council took place at the Milwaukee Elm Grove Campus on June 12, 2011.



Author or Artist From the Good Counsel Alumnae Board

Good Counsel Alumnae have gone on to many careers all over the world. Many are highly educated and have become authors of many types of books. Some have written text books, others novels, poetry, religious or children's books and the list goes on. The Alumnae Association would like to put together a list of books written by Good Counsel alumnae. If you have written a book or know of someone who has written a book, please let the Alumnae Association know. At a later date we will publish the list for you. The Alumnae Association would also like a copy of your book for our archives.

Another area that Good Counsel alumnae are known is in the field of art. All forms of art are represented... painting, textiles, photography, sculpture, jewelry, woodcarving and many other art forms. Are you an artist? Would you like to share your artwork with us? Maybe your "art" story can be shared through an article in ReEchoes or maybe at a Good Counsel art show?

We want to highlight our talented group of women authors and artists. Please help us out and keep us posted on your wonderful talents.

Current collection of Good Counsel Academy authors:

Sister Dorothy Klaers '35.....	My Book of Poetry
Sister Carleen Brennan '36.....	Balloons and Band-Aids
Sister Francis Clare Schares '42.....	Your Move God
	WOW God
	We, the Bride
	Glory to Glory
Monica Toohey Haack '44.....	Catch Me a Poem
Rita Malinski Deyo '47.....	Geriatric Spring
	Birds and Bees, Critters and Trees
	From a Small Place
Anna May Schmitz McCallum '53.....	The Holy Card Book of Patron and Name Saints
Patricia Citrowske Buysse '59.....	On Fridays We Dance: A Memoir
Peggie Samples Carlson '69.....	The Girls are Coming
Margaret Carlson '69.....	The Canning Season
Terri Longenecker DeGezelle '74.....	Bugs A to Z (And over 60 other nonfiction books for children.)



A Nation of Small Kindnesses

By Terri Longenecker DeGezelle '74

(Reprinted with permission from The Free Press, Mankato, MN)

Do you remember where you were when 9/11 became a pox on the fabric of the United States?

My parents' generation remembers where they were when Pearl Harbor was bombed. My generation remembers what we were doing when John F. Kennedy was assassinated. My children talk about what they saw when 9/11 occurred. Each of these horrific world events stained each of us in different ways.

I was in my children's school library helping students check out books when a student walked in and said his teacher wanted us to turn the TV on. She heard on her radio of some news event happening in New York City. What we saw happening was something I will never forget: airplanes crashing into buildings, people running covered in soot, firefighters carrying hoses into burning buildings and news reporters scrambling to report what was happening.

Within minutes students and teachers gathered around and watched in silence. Amidst the silence, one young voice asked, what we were all thinking, "Is this the end of the world?" The reply, "Let's all say the Lord's Prayer for our nation." Helplessly, the only thing we could do was pray.

Moving forward into a new world known as post-9/11, we learned to live one day at a time. Looking back, I see some people carry evil and hate in their hearts, others carry an outpouring of love and joy. Some people are stuck in their box and afraid to step outside their boundaries. Others took a terrible event and turned it into a time to explore new avenues and adventures of life.

Some folks harbor fear and anxiety while others push the darkness aside and step out to lend a hand to others, becoming a hero. People have learned how to define and live with a healthy respect and awareness of their surroundings and those around them.

Finally, the people who have grown the most through 9/11 and remain healthy in body, mind and spirit are those who learned to live with a grateful heart. They have grown to know several important facts of life.

Life is short. Our world grows smaller each day. Every day, show love and kindness to your family. Appreciate each other with the different gifts and talents we bring to the table. Respecting our differences we can and will make this a better world for our children and grandchildren.

Reflections on CESRM-15 Years



Center Co-founders, Sisters Mary Tachney and Kathleen Storms '64.

This year marks the 15th anniversary of the presence of the Center for Earth Spirituality and Rural Ministry in Mankato. While much has been done in those years, we know there is much to be done still and we will continue to be a source of information, resources, inspiration and celebration as we all seek better life on this planet together.

Below, one of the Founding Mothers of the Center offers her reflection on some of what has unfolded.

The Center for Earth Spirituality and Rural Ministry is a response to dreams. School Sisters of Notre Dame whose roots are in rural Minnesota and those who served the people in the small towns and communities dreamt of a new way for SSND to again be present. Sisters Mary Tacheny and Kathleen Storms were commissioned by the province to put flesh on dreams and to find out what the folks were asking for. The Center grew out of a year of dialogue with locals from Pipestone to Rollingstone and from the Iowa border north to Minneapolis and St. Paul.

We also listened to farmers who were questioning and living into their own dreams. Questions from them spurred us on even more: what are you doing to take care of this land? What gift of land could be shared with others? Why do sisters care about what they eat?

These questions and others shaped the threefold goal of CESRM since 1994:

- To uncover a spirituality that reconnected us to Earth through education and practice.
- To offer services to rural parishes that would allow them to find a connection between faith and food; between creation and farming.
- To collaborate with organizations that honor a deep connection to Earth, Moral Eating and Sustainable Living.

All these years later...the gardens thrive; organizations still depend on SSND support for systemic and policy change; the land has become healthy again and there is a growing ownership of green living.

As one of the founding mothers, I am so pleased with the growth we have witnessed, the commitments that have born fruit and the blessings this land, Good Counsel Hill, has been. I couldn't be prouder!

Sister Kathleen Storms '64.

SACRED SPACE MINISTRY

OPPORTUNITIES:

Exploring Loss, Grief and Transition: a day of reflection, prayer and healing.

October 18, 9:30 am-3:30 pm, \$40.00. Lunch included. Please register by October 13.

From Gratitude to Greatness

November 12, 9:30 am-3:30 pm, \$40.00. Lunch included. Please register by November 8.

Enneagram Weekend

November 18-20. Begins Friday evening 7:00 pm and ends with Sunday lunch \$155.00 (Accommodations and meals included) Please register by November 13.

Advent Day of Prayer

December 3, 9:30 am-3:30 pm, \$40.00. Lunch included. Please register by November 29.

Mom's Lunch Out

December 15, 12 noon-1:30 pm, \$12.00. Lunch included. Please register by December 12, 2011.

Mid-Winter Guided Prayer Weekend

January 20-22. Begins Friday evening 7:00 p.m. and ends with Sunday lunch. Please register by January 16.

Looking Ahead...for other opportunities in 2012

Book discussion on Adult Spirituality; Myers-Briggs Person Type Indicator, Weekend specials and more!
Check ssndmankato.org and greatermankatoevents.com

All events take place at Our Lady of Good Counsel Campus and are conducted by staff of Sacred Space. For more information please contact mjwelter@ssndmankato or 507-389-4266. Further descriptions are available at www.ssndmankato.org.

Art Showing
AND **Sale OF**
Woodcarvings

In My Vision

Sister Mary Ann Osborne
"TWINKLING WOOD CHIPS"
exhibition is a wonderful opportunity
to purchase handmade, one of a kind Christmas gifts

Saturday, November 19, 2011
10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
In My Vision Woodcarving Studio
Florian Hall, 170 Good Counsel Drive, Mankato

School Sisters of Notre Dame
www.ssndmankato.org/mao



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Photo Identification Contest

Can you identify the year and alumnae or what was significant in these photos?

Contact the Alumnae Office:

gcalumnae@ssndmankato.org or 507-389-4279 or
170 Good Counsel Drive, Mankato, MN 56001



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The first ten Alumnae to correctly identify the year and alumnae in any of the photos will receive a gift from the Alumnae Office. Look for the answers in the Spring 2012 ReEchoes.

Results from the Spring 2011 Photo Identification Contest:

Photo #1-No identification made.

Photo #2-1963: Marguerite Pouliet, Helen Cornelius Terhaar, Jean Krautkremer French, Karen Kirby Dolen and Mary Jo Quay Zahn.

Photo #3-1974: Connie Prosocki Weber, Margaret Saba Smith, John Kind, Grace Powers Perry.

Photo #4-1955: Carol Byrnes, Helen Brennan and Rita Wenkel Jette.

Photo #5-1954: Sister Paulette (Mary Jo) Pass, Sister Marilyn McCue and Joan Vogelgesang Speltz.



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Good Counsel ACADEMY ALUMNAE AWARD

The Good Counsel Alumnae Award will honor a Good Counsel Academy graduate or staff member who has shown a significant contribution to her family, church, community, chosen profession or promoting Catholic education. This award is given annually to someone who has exemplified the highest and best traditions of Good Counsel Academy.

The Good Counsel Academy Alumnae Board will determine who will receive the Good Counsel Academy Alumnae Award at its January board meeting. To nominate a classmate or former GCA staff member please send your nomination to the Alumnae office. The Alumnae Board will then contact the nominee for more detailed information. The nominations for the award should be received by December 31, 2011.

Your nomination can be for a living or deceased classmate or staff member. This is a wonderful way for us to support and acknowledge accomplishments of our classmates and former staff members of our school. Please continue to help make this tradition a success!

GOOD COUNSEL ALUMNAE AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Nominee's Name(First, Maiden, Last) _____

Class _____ Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Please **briefly** describe how the nominee has shown significant contribution to their family, church, community, chosen profession or promoting Catholic education and how they have exemplified the highest and best traditions of Good Counsel Academy. We will contact the Nominee for more detailed information.

Nominator's Name(First, Maiden, Last) _____

Class _____ Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Note: Nominator must give her name to validate entry. (If you want your name to be kept confidential, please check here ()). **Nominations due December 31, 2011.**

Mail to: Good Counsel Alumnae Award-GCA Alumnae Office
170 Good Counsel Drive, Mankato, MN 56001



Wooden Steps 1912

217 Steps!

A temporary wooden stairway leading up the front of Good Counsel hill was built early in the construction phase of Good Counsel Academy. The wooden steps were replaced by the cement steps in 1915. The steps would add a distinctive appearance to the hillside, especially as the shade trees planted on either side matured. Conrad "Cooney" Kortuem completed the 217 steps October 28, 1915. Good Counsel girls can still climb the 217 steps today in 2011!

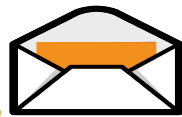


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1948

Rosemary Hub Petersen

Greetings to all my classmates! Fran and I keep busy with our volunteer work at church and summer gardening. We're blessed with a great family and good health. (Bemidji, MN)

1950

Donna Marschall Larsen

As the world seems to be crumbling around us, I am so grateful that I grew up when I did—faithful, sturdy families! My beautiful Catholic faith; my education at Good Counsel; my nurses training at St. Mary's in Rochester, MN are all gifts. Plus God has blessed me with good health! I'm still married too! (Hastings, MN)

Leone Thomas Steck

Here I am—just turned 79 today. It is hard to believe I lived so long. I have been married for 53 years; we have four kids, 13 grandkids and 6 great-grandkids. I keep active playing bridge and cribbage, bowling and walking in our club pool. My husband, Armin, had 8 months of bad health, but he is doing great now! (Venice, FL)

1951

Sister Patricia Frost

I have now been in Africa for 8 years, Ghana and now Nigeria. My ministry is to accompany the temporary professed sisters in Nigeria. (Nigeria, Africa)

Joanne Thyken

What a joy it was to reconnect with so many of my classmates at our 60th class reunion at our Alumnae Homecoming on May 1st. Through the high temperatures and dust storms of our Arizona summer, I am relishing thoughts of our great get-together. Old friends are still best friends! (Fountain Hills, AZ)

Sister Vincent Marie (Florence) Teuber

After recovering from Multiple Myeloma in the fall of 2009, I am back

1937

Dorothy Farm Stromswold

When we get together and talk about our old school days I have always told about Good Counsel's steps and never really been believed. I wrote to Sister Rene' (a GCA classmate) for a picture of those steps. People still are awed, but believe me now and are really impressed. They make great conversation pieces. (Buchanan, MI)

1940

Sister Ann Marie (Dorothy) Tholkes

Because of my rheumatoid arthritis I now have a room in the Notre Dame Health Care Center. I am still able to get around by myself. At times I need the help of a nurse. My hobbies have been put aside because of the time that is scheduled for therapy. In spite of the arthritis I am doing well. Blessing to all my class of 1940. (Mankato, MN)

1942

Jeanne Kautman Regis

Correction: Jeanne can be reached at 805-898-2650. Her address is Alexander Court, 325 Islay St, Santa Barbara, CA 93101.

Harriet Stanton Mayasich

The older I get the more memories I have of GCA. Days were so happy, sisters so kind, and concerned about us! They made us understand who was important on this earth. (Shoreview, MN)

1944

Lorraine Guerber Allen

At age 84 I am still singing in my church choir (50 voices) and I am the choir librarian. I was at GCA last fall when my sister, Sister Elaine Guerber '35 died. (Huntington Beach, CA)

1945

Irma Marschall Bogdan

My husband Bob died January 28th after a little more than a week at home with Hospice and the excellent nursing care of my sister Donna Mae Larsen '50. I have returned to Minnesota. (Hastings, MN)

1946

Mary Ann Hiniker Kelly

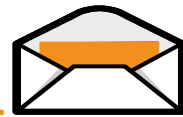
We were married 63 years this past July. We spend the winter months in Mesa, AZ. We have 20 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. (Madelia, MN)

Beverly Schmitt Hansen

Enjoyed seeing my classmates of 1946! (Shakopee, MN)



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at work at John Ireland School tutoring children who need extra help. (St. Peter, MN)

1952

Jeanne Tibodeau Schuetzle

Looking forward to our 60th! (Cary, IL)

Everilde Fitterer Thelemann

We're enjoying retirement in St. Peter after 50 years of farming in the LeSueur area. We gratefully spend time with our 8 children, 29 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren, the loves of our life! (St. Peter, MN)

Rosemary Bach

Quoting our grandson, Luke (three years old at the time) when we were gathered at a wedding celebration, "Life is good."

The entire family agreed wholeheartedly. For me personally, great credit is due to my Good Counsel education for my happy and contented life. Thank you School Sisters of Notre Dame! (Houston, TX)

1954

Irene Stevermer Mikkalson

Life is very good! I do so enjoy ReEchoes. (Burnsville, MN)

1955

Ann Lynch Larson

Life here in the Chicago suburbs is good. Free train for seniors to the city are being taken away to help pay for debts of our state (Probably a good idea.) It's challenging being a liberal Democrat in a Republican county, but I keep trying. I went to see the "Mikado" at the Lyric theatre. I think we did very well in 1955. Greetings to all! (Winfield, IL)

Bernadine Bleess Paul

I lead a very busy but fulfilling life. I am still working for a financial advisor and love every minute of it. I don't know if I will ever retire! (Maquoketok, IA)

Claudelle Miller Tiedemann

My home for 34 years sold in May 2009,

the worst possible time to be the housing market, but it was "my time!" I am living in a senior retirement facility aiming for "simplicity of life." I continue to work toward that. Peace and joy to all! (DesMoines, IA)

Patty Praught Wendlandt

We still live on our farm in rural Garden City, MN. We became winter Texans last December at Corpus Christi, TX. We celebrated our 55th wedding anniversary on September 8, 2011. Keep in touch! (Garden City, MN)

1956

Catherine Fasnacht Walechka

Louis and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary on November 22, 2009. We have 8 sons and 1 daughter, 23 grandchildren, 7 daughter-in-laws and one son-in-law. (Cleveland, MN)

Margie Cornelius VanBerkom

I am still enjoying retirement and the freedom to work with rescued dogs, volunteering at church, the YMCA and the Senior Center. (Cottage Grove, MN)

Geraldine Gorman Ziegler

I am the mother of 5, grandmother of 15 and great-grandmother of 5. (Easton, MN)

Virginia Boettcher Knesel

I am enjoying retirement with my family and friends in a great area. This area is great for gardening, beauty and travel. Hope the reunion was great! (Peach Tree City, GA)

1957

Florence Wagener Lugovina

I retired from city service in 2004 and am enjoying retirement. New York City has everything I love, theatre, museums and of course my 2 daughters and 7 grandchildren. Greetings to my classmates! (New York, NY)

Join the Good Counsel Auxiliary!

The Good Counsel Auxiliary mission is to serve and benefit the retired Sisters in Notre Dame Hall Health Care Center.

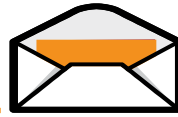
ACTIVE MEMBERS meet once eight times a year and pay membership dues of \$5.00 annually. SUPPORTIVE MEMBERS who cannot actively participate because of distance, health or other commitments support Auxiliary projects with their prayers and financially with annual dues of \$10.00.

Throughout the year the Auxiliary will sponsor birthday parties for the Sisters in Health Care, volunteer to make special treats and favors for the various holidays and decorate Notre Dame Hall for Christmas.

Please contact: Sister Mary Dominic Klaseus
507-389-4259 or mdklaseus@ssndmankato.org

* The Good Counsel Alumnae Association will match the annual GC Auxiliary dues (up to \$200.00) paid by GCA Alumnae.

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we are very busy with our business, children and grandchildren.
(Land O Lakes, FL)

Mary Reinardy

I am retired and make rosaries for missionaries and other places. I have made about 1500 since I retired in 2006. (Hastings, MN)



1959

Patricia Citrowske Buysse

So sorry to hear that Sister Pierre and Sister Celine from our aspiranture days have passed. I have written a book about my years at Good Counsel. It is called "On Fridays We Dance." It is available at createspace.com/3479869. (York Springs, PA)

Sister Carolyn Fasnacht

I am excited about our new SSND Central Pacific Province which began June 12, 2011. I minister in homemaking services through the West 7th Community Center in St. Paul, MN. I also enjoy teaching art, painting and drawing when it is possible. (St. Paul, MN)

1960

Agatha Wagner Farguson

My husband, Herbert, passed away this past February. I am still working at JC Penney's. Our daughter, Kristin, still lives at home which is a help to me. (Lakeville, MN)

Kathleen Huberty Dumond

After living in Staten Island, NY for 25 years with our 4 children we retired in Mendota Heights, MN. Three of our four children live nearby with four grandchildren. We also have 3 grandson's living in Florida with our middle daughter and hubby. Decorative painting has kept me busy until I started doing daycare for our three granddaughters. Painting for the most part is on hold. I have found a few of my classmates in the metro area but would love to hear from a couple more. Our home is always open for visitors and we are minutes from the airport and the Mall of America. Life is good, we have been blessed!
(Mendota Heights, MN)

Dolores Wanzek Portz

Our grandchildren keep us busy. We had another granddaughter graduate in May 2011; also a new grandson on February 7th and a granddaughter on March 5th. We now have 9 grandchildren.
(North Mankato, MN)

1961

Judith Mulder Flanery

I just renewed my nursing license but am pretty much retired. I am putting my house on the market soon and hope to move into a condo by the fall of 2011. My four children and seven grandchildren live around the country, so I need to get into a more manageable living arrangement. I had a knee replaced last fall. Oh, the golden years!
(Guthrie Center, IA)

Colleen Pearson Bianchi

My husband, Joseph, is deceased. I have three daughters; Jolleen Ruppert, Joann Bianchi and Cathleen Bianchi. (North Mankato, MN)

1962

Sharon Henrich Inhofer

Greetings from Florida! All is well and

1963

Margaret Wallin Keim

Greetings to all teachers from 1959-1963 and classmates of 1963! I am still doing some child care after school for my precious grandkids and in April I started to take care of a precious 3 month old baby boy. I am looking forward to caring for him as I've missed the babies, toddlers and pre-school kids I used to take care of in my 33 year child care business. It will be fun to have a baby in the house again! I am also looking forward to our 50th class reunion in 2013! Can you believe it? Almost 50 years ago since we graduated. At the time it seemed like a million lite years away that we would be celebrating our 50th class reunion. And here we are already! Life happens and time flies by. God bless! (Maplewood, MN)

Mary Kujawa

Please pray for my first born son. He died May 2010. Thank you!
(North St. Paul, MN)

1965

Diane Jacobs Vogel

I came home from Mesa in April this year because my husband, Robert, died of heart complications on March 30, 2011. Oh how life and security can change in seconds. I am finding out how well Bob took care of me all these years. He will be missed. May I ask for your prayers to guide my daughter Elizabeth and me through this time. Thank you and bless you!
(Norwood, MN)

Catherine Ourada Hewitt

My daughter, Louise, had my first grandchild, Norah Louise Rogness, last October. I finally know why folks become so excited when a grandchild arrives. Louise is practicing Family Law in Woodbury, MN. My son, Richard, will complete his Masters in Industrial Engineering at the University

of British Columbia, Van Couver, BC in December 2011. My husband, Bob, has become a volunteer extraordinaire in his retirement. He is currently applying his architectural talents to 3 major projects in Washington and Minnesota. I continue to practice Physical Therapy in Spooner, WI. I am having too much fun as a Physical Therapist to quit. Plus it helps to have the benefits! (Lutsen, MN)

Jane Sanger Kopishke

I am celebrating 40 years in critical care nursing. I work part time evenings. My spouse is semi-retired. We have fun with our 6 grandchildren and are looking forward to retirement. (Minnetonka, MN)

1966

Gloria Kelly McCall Markuson

Flying for Sun Country Airlines for 15 years and loving my job! (Chaska, MN)

Bernadette Moes Kieffer

After graduation in 1966, I worked for 5 years at Koch Refinery as a salary payroll clerk. I married Wayne Kieffer in 1970 and we have four sons. We have a 250 cow dairy and crop farm. Two of our sons are partners with us. I do the accounting and office work. I am involved at St. Joseph's church in Miesville with liturgy and choir. I am also involved in farm organizations and county activities. (Hastings, MN)

Sister Mary Willette

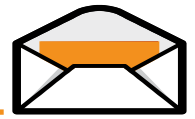
I had been principal of San Miguel Middle School of Minneapolis. Unfortunately the school closed at the end of the 2010-2011 school year due to financial challenges. (Hopkins, MN)

1970

Gloria Ourada Kern

I started a new beginning, a new loving husband. We were married 10-10-10. My daughter Angela is in a pharmacy program at SDSU. My daughter, Anne, has blessed me with four grandsons. Caleb age 8, Bryan age 6 and the twins Angel and Gabriel age 3. (Garretson, SD)

2011 Fall Mailbag



1971

Katherine Scheurer Kurth

I married Gerard Kurth 1/29/1972. My husband died 1/31/1997. I remarried on 3/27/2010 to Kevin Krosch. I have 5 children and 10 grandchildren. Kevin has 4 children and 7 grandchildren. I am a nurse practitioner in pulmonary medicine. (Good Thunder, MN)

1975

Sharon Shama Chaus

It was great to see some of my classmates at our reunion and Homecoming in 2010. I wish the very best to all of you I did not get a chance to see! I have worked the last 20 years for Granite School District in Salt Lake City, UT as an administrative secretary. My son George graduated from medical school and is in his second year of his residency in Orthopaedic Surgery at the University of Colorado. He is getting married next April. My daughter Nicole obtained her Doctor of Pharmacy and is working as a staff pharmacist in Salt Lake City. My husband Bill is getting ready to retire after 38 years with the Postal Service as a Regional manager. I would love to hear from you all! (Salt Lake City, UT)

Renette Lopez

I have always thanked God for having given me the opportunity to attend GCA even if it was for only one year. I felt blessed to have met so many different people and had an opportunity to live and share good and bad times with my classmates. I have been well and have a daughter 19 years old and is studying at the University of Dallas in Texas. She is a good student; doing a lot better than I was at her age. I am so proud of her and thank all those that helped me along the way. I would love to give a shout out to Sister Anna Louise Wilson. She was a big part of my life here in Minnesota. I miss

her and love her very much and think of her often. She had been my Art teacher for many years at the Guadalupe Area Project in St. Paul, MN. I do have some sad news, my older sister Rochelle Lopez '72 died recently and we miss her very much. Rochelle spent four years at GCA as did my mother Celia Saucedo. Does anyone have pictures of her? I would love to have copies. My mother died before I was 5 years old. (North St. Paul, MN)



Gretchen Crosbie Reeks

I am so glad that you have kept the GCA Alumnae Association going. I love to read about what my friends are up to. My life is good. I have two sons, 19 and 20 years old, who are in college and play on the tennis team. Both indicate they want to be engineers. I am an occupational therapist and really enjoy my job at LSU, placing students for clinical rotations. For leisure, I ride my horse Olivia. GCA is such a fond memory for me. I hope all the girls from the class of 1975 are behaving! (Shreveport, LA)

1976

Peggy Thul Noga

I live in Rochester, MN and work with students who are learning English as a second language. My husband is an accountant for the Mayo Clinic. Our oldest daughter is studying nursing in college and our youngest is in high school. Hello to all of my classmates, former teachers and friends who graduated before or after I did! (Rochester, MN)

Lost Alumnae - Please help us find your classmates!

Wouldn't it be nice to share Alumnae information with these girls? Call or email any leads to the Alumnae Office. 507-389-4279 or gcalumnae@ssndmankato.org

- 1930**
Louise Brutsche Traver, Louise Funke Quist, Kathryn McLin Chall
- 1931**
Colette Beau Zimmerman, Helen Koppy Mazzitello, Ann Adams, Cecelia Steiner Hol, Mary Sullivan Eugster
- 1932**
Kathryn Roemer, Mildred Hovig Kleifgen, Helene Pouliot Krugel, Clara Steiner Jents, Josephine Wolfe Di Gregoria, Helen Sullivan
- 1933**
June Anderson Rathjen, Veronica Ewalt, Regina Gill Storm, Helen Lamm, Alethea Nieman White, Marcella Sampson Stevens, Esther Schwehr
- 1934**
Claire Halter Lorenz, Blanche Rapp Nuss, Florence Scheurer Petri, Martha Smith Kusian, Margaret McGrath
- 1935**
Margaret Nelson, Marjorie Teufert, Mary Rost, Patricia Smith Moloney, Jeanne Trisko, Mary Ann Kubes
- 1936**
Lucille Hawkins, Helen LeBlanc Collins, Monica Larsen
- 1937**
Eileen Ahern, Mildred Anderson Allen, Elaine Bowen Warren, Margaret Swift Hoerr
- 1938**
Helen Hochbein Anderson, Mary Kerr, Agnes Wenker Jefferson
- 1940**
Lorayne Pedersen, Mary King
- 1941**
Marianne Demarre Sosnowsk, Rita L. Sagarsky, Ann M. Lipetzky, Mary Rose Zephirin, Bernice Von Ruden Grinney, Betty Weyhe Lindeen
- 1942**
Ann Hunter Smith, Ann Rodgers, Mary Randell, Marie Stegmiller, Phyllis Stutz McAuliffe
- 1943**
Mary C. Hildebrand
- 1944**
Neville Babcock Knudson, Sara Deutsch Doss, Mary Hughes, Phyllis Johnson Lefleur
- 1945**
Elaine Fermenich Schmidt, Corinne Dahms
- 1946**
Bernadette Anderson
- 1948**
Marilyn Lindsey, Jeanne Chevalier
- 1949**
Loretta Kaye, Romana Kuehn
- 1950**
Mary A. Tonn, Donna Peterson
- 1952**
Marlene Lawson
- 1953**
Meris Deuser, Mary Ann Anderson, Joan Myers
- 1954**
Marjorie Pitzl Swanson, Rita Dougherty
- 1955**
Annette Becker Watson, Beverly Hinkel, Carol Byrne, Donna Conley
- 1956**
Mary Dorn Pritchard, Katherine Moris Girtz, Mary Ann Townsend
- 1957**
Margueritte Marvin
- 1958**
Helen Brielmeier Faulkner, Rita Gerlach Lee
- 1959**
Kathleen Fisher Kownack, Barbara Kaufman, Barbara Sheely Doerr, Helen Zweber Nunez, Virginia Wenzel
- 1960**
Isabel Basquez, Carol Fleming Boyd, Virginia Krebsbach Flannagan, Suzanne Leblanc, Yvonne Peltier Lehnen, Lois Wallerich Linsley, Annette Zacher Taylor
- 1961**
Lucia Hoffman, Mary Weisgram
- 1962**
Mary Ann Mueller
- 1963**
Carole Binczik Taylor, Mary Loftus Uzemack, Mary Quay Zahn, Marguerite Pouliot
- 1964**
Filena Bromley Beer, Mary Jude, Judith Pederson Leisten, Darlene Unser Bohman, Joanne Bieter, Margaret Herber Feinberg
- 1965**
Lois Adrian Schwinghammer, Barbara Weiss, Margaurite Chirpich Elmer, Sharon Culhane Harper, Marcella Hottinger Dahl, Jean Salscheider Taussig, Teresa Zorn Picotti
- 1966**
Marie Fernholz Giesen, Mary Milbradt Harris, Judith Weicherding Anderson
- 1967**
Therese Aalid Norris, Paulette Affeldt Reid, Catherine Anderson Petersen, Sharon Hamilton Steinick, Susan Heintz, Christine John Ernst, Rosemary Kuczaboski, Jeanne Lapierre, Bonet Mathiowetz Olson, Patricia McCabe Smith, Judith Milbradt, Sharon Moore Welander, M. Catherine Nowicki Goodman, Kathleen Polzer, Patricia Zierden
- 1968**
Margaret Adelman Orthmeyer, Kathleen Allen Smith, Marie Caplecha DeVega, Peggy Herri, Dorothy Hoffer Pastorius, Kathleen Korlath Ghanem, Patricia Malueg Boggs, Arlene Pomije, Margaret Stiene
- 1969**
Rebecca Doyle, Pauline Feist, Anne Goettlicher Whisenant, Suzanne Ladouceur Thomas, Theresa Stark Mithum, Mary Thomas Parr, Karen Weber Rebelein
- 1970**
Teresa Binczik Vonderholm, Jenny Marie Kabage, Mary Charrey, Aida Preciado
- 1971**
Colleen Allen Lynard, Ann Conley Juberian, Susan Davidson, Susan Fortier Miles, Julie Verlennich, Linda Juberian Suter, Karen Koenig Anderson, Patricia McFall, Janet Niichel, Joyce Pouliot, Gail Kerr, Rosa Guzman, Margaret Stahler
- 1972**
Joan Adelmann Rank, Paula Burns, Denise Fasching, Mary Greenheck, Valerie Greer Weeks, Anne Langenfeld, Laurie Rentz Wagner-Caspers, Debra Richeson Perry, Mary Saindon, Ann Tuve Friedley, Maria Monroy, Bertha Padilla
- 1973**
Mercedes Fulle, Lynda Dechene, Jeanine Frederick, Cynthia McFall Palmer, Katherine Radatz, Rosemarie Reyerson Stotts, Joan Schwartzbauer, Beatrice Swan Swan, Kathryn Ure Kinnear, Diane Waldron Ford, Janine Wohlforth
- 1974**
Colleen Bigaouette, Mary Bonn, Loretta Braucci, Leslie Darwent, Beth Hunziker Mishek, Jennifer Klugherz Guilliat, Mary McMahan, Lori Pirillo, Patricia Walsler, Juleen Wandersee Ayd, Barbara Ward, Patricia Zimmeth Mathews, Mary Anderson, Katherine Marwin
- 1975**
Pamela Lyons Anderson, Ruth Moreno, Charlotte Schmitz Yohanes, Liz Clark
- 1977**
Linda Cosentino, Nancy Dalton, Julie Juergens, Deborah King, Anne Mayleben, Maureen Quinlan Smith, Lori Rieff Schnable, Vickie Rogers, Dena Stasi, Juanita Trevino, Judy Sharp
- 1978**
Cheryl Drummer, Deborah Harris, Lucina Hoercherl, Eva Sadaka, Jody Schueneman, Polly Steck Ostrom-Gets, Dagmar Stefanek, Pamela West, Rita Wollmering
- 1979**
Laurel Campbell, Maureen Degross, Helen Devine, Elena Garcia, Mary Hedberg, Lee Kaufenberg, Theresa Murphy, Ann Oestreich Simondet, Nancy Ryan, Constance Wacek Pinget
- 1980**
Sue Andeits, Kathy Eng, Anastasia Hunziker, Gwen Taurman
- 1981**
Mary Hadd, Christiane Unutzer
- 1982**
Connie Anderson, Lisa Braam, Shannon Doran, Angela Kownack, Madeline Nelleson, Rebecca Smith, Paula Wolff
- 1983**
Julie Beckman, Theresa Hall, Jennifer Fuerst, Donitta Turbes Trebesch, Marcella Weber, Bethel Wohlrahe, Peggy Zachman

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_____ \$20.00 subscription for ReEchoes (July 1-June30).

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Deceased Fall 2011

1929	Alice Huisenfeldt	01-11-11
1930	Dorothy LaCasse Revord	xx-xx-xx
1935	Dorothy O'Connor Clark	xx-xx-xx
1937	Mildred Hodapp Bartsch	06-20-11
1937	Sister Rosemary Nohava	06-04-11
1938	Mary Weingartz Demars	05-02-11
1941	Sister Maryanne Blunt	xx-xx-11
1941/Faculty	Sister Louis Marie Hagen	05-03-11
1944	Louise Meyer Schwingle	05-10-11
1946	Lorraine Jolian Cazin	07-12-11
1947	Lucille Jacoby Pietig	07-07-11
1947	Alice Richtsmeier Baciulus	08-21-11
1948	Genevieve Molski	07-31-11
1949	Bernadine Fitch Grundhoefer	11-xx-10
1951	Corinne Swift Page	07-14-11
1952	Barbara Kapoun	03-22-11
1952	Marjorie Hoffman Dauer	03-25-11
1953	Joan Zimny Haefner	04-28-11
1959	Mary Pat Fitzsimmons Hoag	04-09-11
1960	Dorothy Huber Jentges	05-09-11
1966	Margaret Devney Bruks	04-xx-07
Faculty	Sister Mary Patience Hora	03-27-11

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Mary Nix Degn '80	President
Mona James Will '73	Vice President
Sister Joanna Illg '50	Treasurer
Position available	Secretary

Class Representatives:

Representatives are needed for the anniversary classes of 2012. If you are in the class of 1947, 1952, 1957, 1962, 1967, 1972, 1977 or 1982 and would like to be a representative for your class, please contact Jeanne Kelly in the Alumnae office.

Alumnae Coordinator:

Jeanne Osdoba Kelly '75

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Memorial Mass

Wednesday, November 2, 2011 at 9:30 am

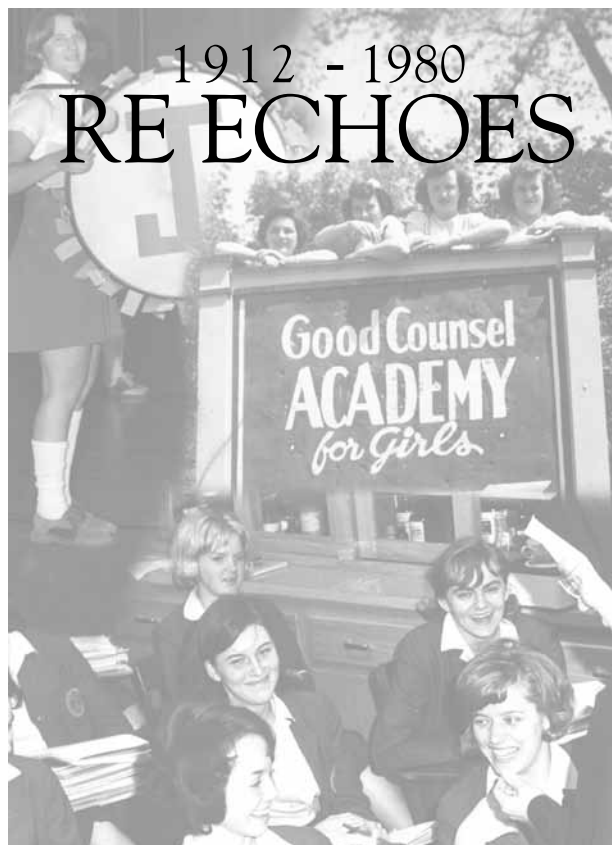
All are welcome to join us as we pray for our classmates and teachers who have died this past year. Coffee and rolls following in the Good Counsel Heritage Center.

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History Notes:

Our Lady of Good Counsel-Memorial Statue

The administration of Good Counsel Academy placed the order for the six-foot statue of Our Lady of Good Counsel in the spring of 1945. The statue was to be a memorial to Mother M. Isidore Schumacher, the foundress of Good Counsel Academy.

Fundraising for the statue began on April 26, 1944 with the first contribution from the class of 1944. Many alumnae and friends contributed to the "Statue Fund." Donations came in as small as \$1.00 up to the largest at \$300.00, from the Good Counsel Alumnae Association. The goal was to raise \$1565.00 for the construction and installation of the statue.

The white marble statue remains on the west side of the campus sitting on the

six-foot high pedestal. The inscription on the pedestal reads, "To the memory of Mother Mary Isidore Schumacher, SSND, Builder, Educator, First Provincial Mother of Good Counsel, 1912-1929. Died in England, August 6, 1944." And at the base are the words, "Erected by Good Counsel Alumnae."

"While the sun broke through misty clouds, Rev. Alton H. Scheid, in the presence of the entire student body, candidates, novices and sisters, solemnly blessed the newly erected statue of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Tuesday afternoon, September 11, 1945."

Today the statue continues to be a focus point for personal reflection and prayer.

