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# Dear Alumnae, PARENTS, GUARDIANS, AND FRIENDS,

The 2019-2020 school year was one for the history books. It required superhuman resilience, flexibility, hope, and faith.

I found inspiration in a reflection by Pope Francis published in the Spanish-language magazine *Vida Nueva* titled, "A Plan for Rising Up." He speaks of Christ's Passion and how the women did not allow those events to paralyze them. I saw our beautiful family at Regina Dominican illustrated in his words:

**"They were able to move forward and not allow themselves to be paralyzed by what was happening. Out of love for the Teacher, and with their typical, irreplaceable, and blessed feminine genius, they were able to confront life as it came...they knew simply to be and to accompany."**

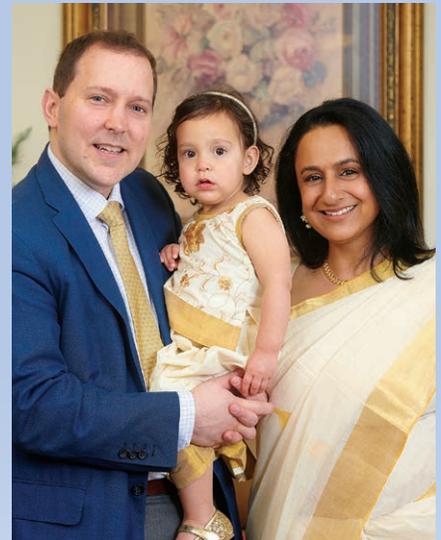
The Pope calls on us to build a "civilization of love, which is a civilization of hope." Our school community lived out our motto of Veritas and Caritas, and was well prepared to answer this call in the face of a global pandemic and a renewed awareness of injustice in our world. As we ended the school year, I was filled with gratitude that the Regina Dominican family was able to "confront life as it came" with so much energy and grace. When the world seems to be shrouded in darkness, the love that is cultivated in our halls at RDHS is even more important than ever.

**Students** did a phenomenal job focusing on their studies but also in helping others through service and love. **Parents** met the

difficult challenge of working from home with children who are eLearning, some shepherding their children's education even through the stress of job loss and their own personal anxiety. **Faculty and staff** stepped up to adjust their teaching and work to the reality of eLearning. The Board of Directors, alumnae, donors, and our Adrian Dominican Sisters experienced pain, loneliness, and stress as well, but still showed up to support the school. Perfection is not possible in an imperfect world but you did your best and your best was extraordinary! I am grateful for every one of you and see the perfection in who you are and in your hard work through this difficult time. I see a "civilization of hope" in you and am inspired to build on that.

Not only did we outperform every school in the area from an engagement and attendance perspective (over 95% even through the worst of the pandemic!) but we also still managed to keep our eyes on the prize. Work on our strategic plan was steady and focused. Our faculty and staff put forth Herculean effort in quickly converting to all eLearning, facing the uncomfortable truth of racism in our midst and finding ways to combat it, finishing the year with a balanced budget and slight increase in our scholarship endowments, and producing record student and parent satisfaction!

All of this is not possible without the generosity of people like you. I hope you enjoy seeing a glimpse of the fruits of your investment in Regina Dominican in the

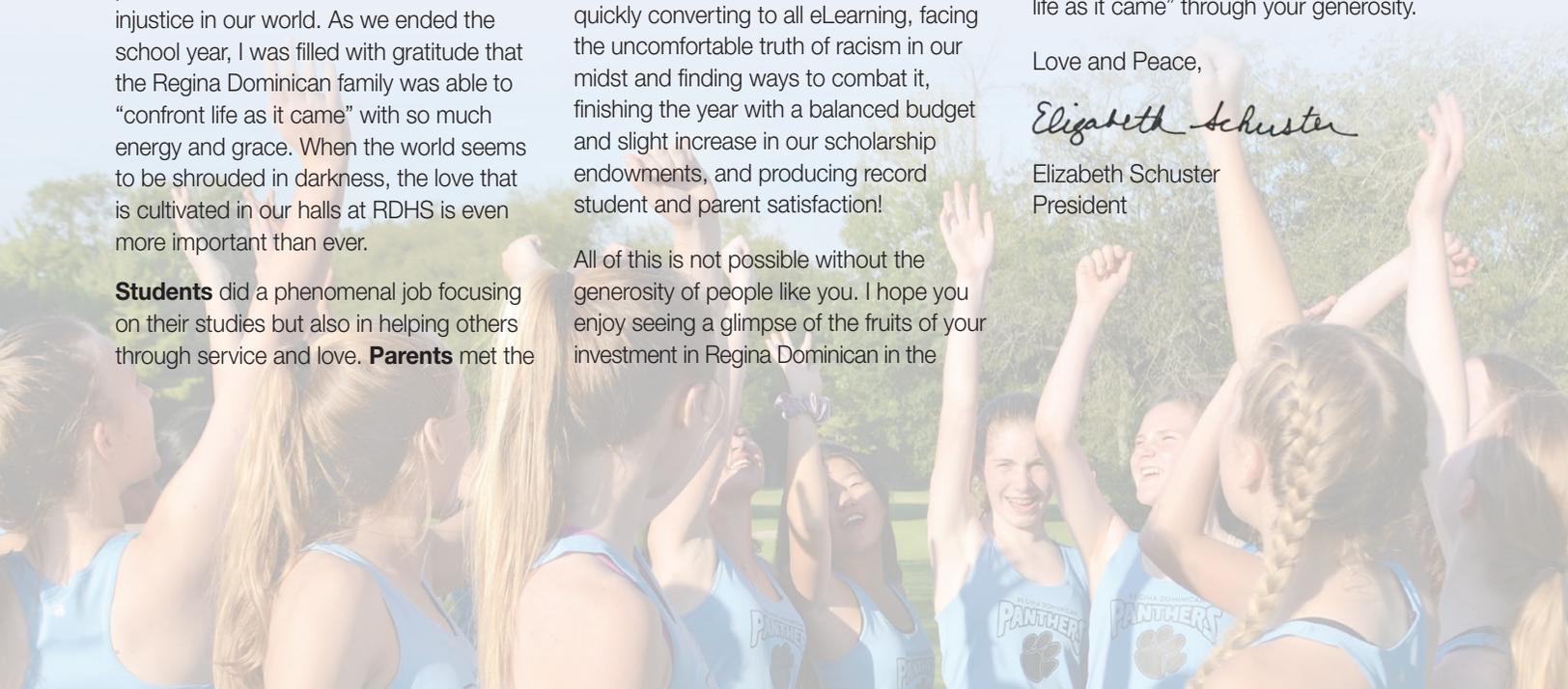


following pages. Our strength as a small school that can be nimble in the face of adversity is on clear display. We are not through this crisis, but we are prepared for it and are facing it from a place of strength. Your unwavering support, love, and prayers are fueling us for success, and for that we are forever grateful. Thank you for giving our young women the chance to "confront life as it came" through your generosity.

Love and Peace,

*Elizabeth Schuster*

Elizabeth Schuster  
President





# VERITAS MAGAZINE 2020

Veritas: The Magazine of Regina Dominican College Preparatory High School

Veritas is the Latin term meaning "truth" and it is the motto of the Dominican Order.

## OUR MISSION

Regina Dominican, a college preparatory Catholic high school for young women, sponsored by the Adrian Dominican Sisters, fosters academic excellence, truth, peace, and justice while challenging each student to develop leadership for life and respect for all races, cultures, and faiths.

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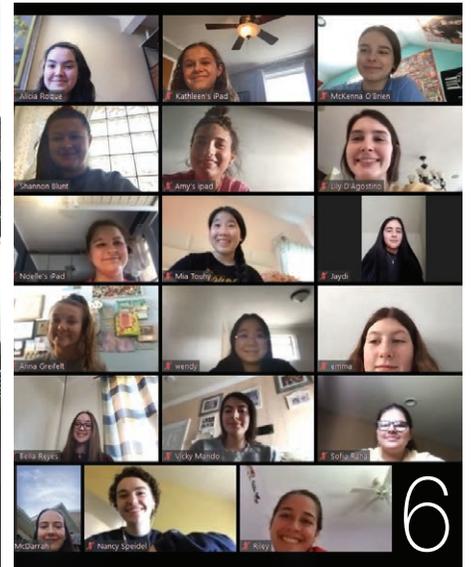
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*Our Class of 2020 Graduates*

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# Year in Review:

## AN INTERVIEW WITH DR. KASSIE PORRECA

For many of us, 2020 has been a year like no other. Dr. Kassie Porreca reflects on how the past several months have allowed Regina's unique strengths to shine.

### What word or phrase would you pick to capture the “theme” of Regina’s 2019-20 school year, and why?

Our official school theme for the year, selected by our Dominican Preachers, was “Be a Rose Among the Thorns,” which definitely turned out to be prophetic, as we spent the last quarter of the year working hard to stay connected and positive, and helping each other navigate the uncharted territory of living through a global pandemic. We were all called to be roses among the thorns for each other, and for our families and friends.

But if I had to pick an unofficial theme, I think it would be “Family for Life.” The strength of our Regina Dominican family was evident. Being deprived of our opportunity to be together every day on our campus in many ways made us grow even closer and more precious to each other. I had a student e-mail me to say, “I promise I will never wish that I could stay home in my pajamas instead of coming to school again!” and I believe her!

### What was your favorite Regina moment from this past year?

I loved being together with our community every Wednesday morning when we gathered as a whole school

for our newest tradition, our weekly Morning Meeting. It was such a joyous gathering each week. We gave “Paws Up” to students and staff, prayed together as a whole school, celebrated birthdays and other events (English teacher Morgan O’Leary even announced her pregnancy to the whole school at a Morning Meeting—and brought down the house!), and then ended with the loud and proud singing of the Loyalty Song. It was such a great way to start the day.

### 2020 has been a year of historic change in many ways. What is it that allows Regina to adapt so successfully to a rapidly-evolving situation such as the COVID-19 pandemic?

Going through the pandemic really demonstrated to me, and to many other people, the great strength in our school community. We’re agile, so we were able to quickly pivot into eLearning without missing a step so that our students kept learning. We really care about each other and know each other well, so we shared video messages, daily bulletins, social media posts, e-mails, cartoons, playlists, recipes, contests—really anything we could think of to stay connected to each other and to keep our spirits up. We listen to our students and value their opinions, so we were able to tailor some spectacular end-of-year celebrations

for our graduating class with their input. We are a faith community, so we shared prayer services, online Masses, virtual prayer intentions, and Zoom Rosary sessions. We are all committed to Regina Dominican, so we were able to thrive.

### What are you most excited about for the upcoming school year?

I am very excited about our new partnership with Global Online Academy, which is making it possible for our students to take a wide variety of interesting and unusual courses with students from all over the world. Our membership in GOA is a visible commitment to “Global Citizenship,” one of our leadership values. As I write this, we just started accepting applications from students who want to take a course through GOA, and there is a great deal of buzz around their offerings. I know that this partnership will provide the opportunity for our students to take some very exciting elective classes that we don’t offer on our campus, so it’s the best of both worlds: our students still get to enjoy the boutique close-knit Regina community where everybody knows your name, while at the same time having the chance to expand their worldview by taking courses with teachers and other students from all over the world.

# 2020 PRINCIPAL'S AWARD FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

The Principal's Award for Academic Excellence recognizes a graduating senior who has maintained the highest level of academic achievement during her four-year attendance at Regina Dominican. This top scholar not only represents the best in scholastic achievement, but also exemplifies excellence in leadership and service. This year's Principal's Award was proudly presented to two recipients:

**Riley McInerney** (left) and **Kathleen Rabbitt** (right).



## 2020 MEDALISTS

The Regina Dominican Medal is a special honor conferred on seniors for academic excellence, service, and leadership within a subject area or areas. These bright young women will be continuing their education at their college or university of choice.



**NORA CLANCY**  
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St. Louis University



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Urbana-Champaign



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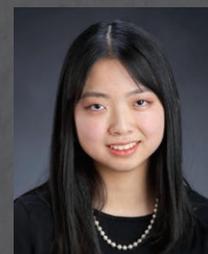
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- Madison



**YING ZHOU**  
Mathematics, Physics  
McGill University

# An Unusual Spring

2020 is not your typical year, and the Class of 2020 wasn't your typical class. Shelter-in-place presented a particularly stinging level of shock and disappointment: no prom, no final season of sports for the spring athletes, no graduation! How could they simply retreat into their rooms, finish up their last few assignments, and walk away from their Regina years without seeing their friends, teachers, and beloved school one last time?

The faculty and staff at Regina wouldn't stand for that. As soon as it became apparent that the COVID-19 quarantine would last far more than a few weeks, teachers, administrators, and some of the seniors themselves put their heads together to find new ways to celebrate.

Emphasis on ways. In non-pandemic years, seniors usually get only one graduation ceremony, but Regina decided that this unusual year was deserving of some unusual grandeur, and planned a roster of events during what came to be known as "The Summer of the 2020 Panthers."

One's senior year of high school is full of memories that last a lifetime—hanging out with your best friends, dancing the night away at prom, and making the most of every moment in your favorite spaces around the school. We wanted our seniors to still be able to enjoy these moments while staying safe and healthy, so we improvised.

Many schools in the Chicagoland area printed and sent lawn signs to their graduates, but we figured we'd add a touch of Regina flair. It's not every day your Principal, Assistant Principal, or other staff members show up to your house with lawn decorations, but again, 2020 is just that kind of year, and Regina is just that kind of school. So one rainy day in late April, every one of our seniors was surprised with a personally delivered lawn sign.

The Alumnae Induction Ceremony was held via Zoom on May 26, during which the Class of 2020 took their Alumnae Oath together, listened to words of wisdom and encouragement from alums **Katherine Kinnaird '08** and Regina English teacher **Annie Tully '92**, and enjoyed a slideshow of senior memories put together by the Junior Class Leadership Board.

The celebrations continued on June 15 with our traditional Baccalaureate Mass. With only cantor **Maya Cornejo '20**, lector **Caraline Quinlan '20**, their parents, and a few staff (including Music Director Noah Pligge) in attendance at the church, mass was celebrated by our school chaplain Fr. Peter Wojcik and broadcast on Facebook Live. The next evening, we convened via Zoom for the Class of 2020 Convocation Ceremony, during which many of our seniors were recognized for their academic, athletic,



# ing for Seniors



philanthropic, and personal achievements. Our Medalists and Principal's Award recipients (see page 3) were announced, as well as our Athlete of the Year **Lillian Rausch '20** and our Senior School Spirit Award recipient **Nicolette Anichini '20**.

As soon as state guidelines allowed people to gather in small groups, we invited small groups of seniors to mask up and come to school on June 29 to see each other in person and hang out in the Senior Lounge one last time. The Seniors were surprised with a personalized "Class of 2020" tote bag filled with gifts, including the latest leadership book from Harry Kraemer (Clinical Professor of Leadership at the Kellogg School of Management), a custom-designed Regina colors face mask, and a commemorative Class of 2020 shirt.

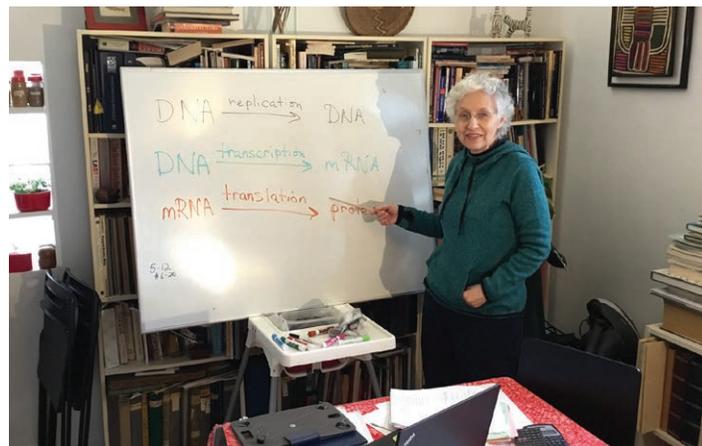
Prom was a tricky subject—certainly, dancing is "infectious" in both good ways and bad—but we managed to incorporate many of the important elements in our first-ever Regina "Mini-Prom." Students came in their dresses to pick up their favors and take pictures in the Auditorium Foyer, which had been decorated to match the theme, "Paris in Bloom." Flowers, Parisian decor, and a soaring cutout of the Eiffel Tower made for a memorable afternoon!

At last, the morning of Sunday, July 19, arrived: Graduation Day! Guests took a "seat" in their cars nearby, while graduates and their families parked in the Regina lot. Graduates stood in front of their cars (socially distanced from each other) and walked to pick up their diplomas as their names were read. More traditional aspects of the event were complemented by an abundance of balloon art, photo stations, and a rowdy car parade after the ceremony featuring all manner of signs and decorations to celebrate the Class of 2020.

One might see this past year as one of hardship, obstacles, and disappointment. However, the Regina community sees adversity as a gateway for innovation. The Summer of the 2020 Panthers was a prime example of students, faculty, and staff coming together to take care of one another and find solutions. Events such as Mini-Prom and an outdoor graduation and parade would not have been possible without the bright minds of our Senior Class Leadership Board, the dedication of our teachers and staff members, and the love and support of our families and friends. In many ways, the challenges of 2020 allowed our community to shine as we graduated a class that understands collaboration and problem-solving on a personal level. We know this experience will be formative for the Class of 2020 as they go on to seek solutions to our world's grander challenges, and we couldn't be more proud.

Remember what you are capable of, Class of 2020. You are Regina Girls, and the world is yours to transform.

# HOW REGINA *Thrives* IN TIMES OF CHANGE



Since opening our doors in 1958, Regina Dominican has continued to endure throughout more than a half-century of economic, social, and political change. In the last 60 years we have been witness to the Civil Rights Movement, the Cold War, the rise of the Information Age, the tragedy of 9/11, and the Great Recession of 2007—just to name a few examples! We have not simply withstood, but have persevered and continued to evolve to meet our community’s changing needs.

The most recent showcase of Regina’s ingenuity during tumultuous times arose in March 2020, when the COVID-19 pandemic prompted new policies that would change history. An unprecedented stay-at-home order required all schools in Illinois (including Regina) to temporarily move to remote operations. However, that didn’t stop us from doing what we do best: delivering a quality education to our students!

As an intentionally small school, we were able to respond quickly, firmly establishing our new classroom dynamic. We’d already implemented an eLearning platform for those bitter “polar vortex” days in winter, so we were well prepared to make the shift as seamlessly as possible. More importantly, we maintained a curriculum that held students accountable, provided parents access to faculty and leadership, and retained the student body’s sense of community.

In times of uncertainty, structure is often the best remedy. Students and staff alike were able to keep a daily routine beginning with a daily bulletin and prayer sent via e-mail at 7:45 a.m. sharp, and from there would continue with

regular assignments, synchronous class sessions, and club meetings over Google Hangouts and Zoom.

“Active engagement and accessibility—those are the words that best describe Regina during this quarantine. Teachers have remained actively engaged with students, and parents get daily updates on their daughter’s progress and school activities.”

—REGINA PARENT, CLASS OF 2021

The Regina community isn’t confined to a geographic place. Similarly, it’s not limited to school hours! As our nation grappled with historic challenges, the Panther spirit soared as we came together through yoga classes, online prayer services, baking challenges, and a one-of-a-kind virtual concert featuring our own talented students!

For over 60 years, Regina Girls have taken trying times and turned them into catalysts for growth. 2020 was no different. Instead of viewing their new remote situation as an obstacle, they embraced the challenge and became an even closer, stronger community than ever before. In accordance with public health guidelines, Regina has welcomed her students back on campus for the fall semester. We’re moving forward knowing that we are able to deliver a safe and effective learning environment, regardless of whatever comes our way in 2020 and beyond.

# Welcome Fred Donnelly:



Fred Donnelly and his wife  
Mary Kate D'Amore Donnelly '83

## **VICE PRESIDENT OF FINANCE AND OPERATIONS**

In the 2020-2021 school year, Fred Donnelly will start as the new Vice President of Finance and Operations. We are very excited to welcome him to our team and introduce him to the Regina Dominican community! Fred shared some interesting facts about himself.

### **What brings you to Regina Dominican?**

I have over 20 years of experience as a finance leader in organizations with education missions. Regina is a perfect fit!

### **What is your previous experience in finance and operations?**

I have had leadership roles in finance and operations at Scott, Foresman, Pearson, and Renaissance Learning. I have done everything from lead the finance organization of a \$800M division to overseeing the redesign of Andy Warhol's Union Square studio into a corporate office.

### **What is your vision for your new role as the Vice President of Finance and Operations?**

We will continue the tradition of great stewardship of resources at Regina and empower our staff to deliver an excellent Catholic education.

### **What are your favorite hobbies and activities outside of work?**

I have been a runner since I was in grade school. I have run multiple marathons over the years and I still run road races. I enjoy playing golf without a scorecard and I have coached and watched a lot of youth sports over the past 20 years.

### **What is your favorite book that you've read recently?**

*Ten Innings at Wrigley: The Wildest Ballgame Ever, with Baseball on the Brink*. This was a fun read for me earlier this spring. It describes a game between the Cubs and the Phillies that the Phillies won 23-22. I actually attended the game described in the book with the St. Ita altar boys!

### **Anything else you would like to add?**

Yes. Paws Up!

**AN INTERVIEW WITH SANDRA LOCHER:**

# Regina's Engineering Pioneer



**How has Regina's STEM program changed since you started at Regina?**

When I began working at Regina in the fall of 2010, there was no official STEM program. After attending a STEM Think Tank conference in Nashville for several summers, the idea of bringing a STEM program to Regina took root. The program was originally designed as a club. After only a few attempts at meeting, though, I very quickly realized the club format was not going to work, given the complexities of the projects we attempted and the girls' busy schedules. I quickly pivoted and focused on developing an actual STEM class with an engineering focus. I developed the course curriculum for Principles of Engineering based on the club concept and presented the course proposal to Regina's Curriculum Council in 2016. I was thrilled when the course was unanimously approved! Principles of Engineering was first offered in the fall of 2017. This fall marks the fourth year of the class, which has since been renamed Foundations of Engineering.

**What are Regina's current offerings? What makes them unique compared to other high schools in the area?**

Starting this fall, Regina continues to offer Foundations of Engineering, and now we have added a second engineering course from the Project Lead the Way curriculum called Introduction to Engineering Design. This fall, we are also adding AP Computer Science to our course offerings. Our courses are unique because only young women are taking them!

**Why do you believe it is important to expose Regina students to more STEM opportunities before they go to college?**

It is important for our students to understand what current and new opportunities there are in the STEM fields. Engineering, specifically, has a reputation as a male-dominated field. Women, however, possess all of the abilities necessary to be successful engineers. They are born problem solvers and possess the desire to make people's lives better. My goal is to ensure that my students realize that engineering is about devising creative solutions to society's problems. And, no matter what area interests you, there is an engineering field associated with it. I also make a determined effort to introduce my students to women engineers who can serve as role models. This goal is accomplished through alumnae visits from current engineering students, class projects that focus on women engineers, and field trips that expose the students to women engineers in leadership roles.

**What are some of your students' recent accomplishments in STEM?**

One of the exciting projects we complete each semester is a Design Thinking project that involves the redesign of a shopping cart. By following the Design Thinking model, students are required to create a new design focused completely on the end users' needs and criteria. The girls' creativity abounds when they brainstorm ideas on sticky notes and then build and present an actual prototype of a new shopping cart design. Another popular project involves students building a marble run out of cardboard. The challenge for the groups is to have the marble stay in the run for a minimum of 30 seconds. While 30 seconds may seem like an easy goal, it is rather challenging to build a structure that meets this design criteria.

While eLearning this past spring, students completed projects in upcycling, paper engineering, and stop-action movie making. Again, they showcased their ingenuity and creativity while completing these projects at home!

**Where do you see your program going in the future?**

I would love to see more and more of our students take our STEM courses and for Regina to add even more course options. I also hope to have many of my prior students return as working engineers to share their real-life experiences.

**Is there anything you'd like to add?**

I am very thankful for the support the STEM program has received over the past few years from my colleagues, administration, and our amazing Regina parents. And, I would be remiss if I did not specifically mention Joan Kitchie. Joan and her Advancement team provided financial support so I could set up my amazing STEAM Lab, complete with three 3-D printers, project materials, and 12 laptops.



**MEET PATSY MUELLER:**

# Resident Chemistry Expert

Regina Dominican Chemistry teacher Patsy Mueller recently co-authored a comprehensive guide to Advanced Placement Chemistry. Released this August, *Multiple Choice & Free Response Questions in Preparation for the AP Chemistry Examination, 7th Ed.* is an educational text sold exclusively to teachers and schools to prepare their students for the annual AP Chemistry Exam. Patsy worked on the book's 4th and 5th editions as a content editor, and she joined the 6th and 7th editions as a contributing author.

Her extensive knowledge of AP Chemistry material and her work developing this book directly benefit her students. As she explains, "My students profit from this because I am a better question writer for my own tests. I can write them using 'ETS-speak,' a technical writing skill used on standardized chemistry tests." As one could expect, her students have historically performed very well on national-level chemistry exams.

Ms. Mueller is one of the nation's foremost educators in advanced high school chemistry. She has served as a Reader for the AP Chemistry Exam for 20 years and a Table Leader for 16, meaning that she scores the exams and leads other scorers on her team each year. Ms. Mueller trains other AP Chemistry teachers as well. She states:

“**I prepare first-year chemistry teachers to become AP Chemistry teachers, taking them through the advanced curriculum and lab work that can be performed in high school time frames and with high school budgets.**”

—PATSY MUELLER

For her work, she was awarded the Siemens Award for Outstanding Contributions to the Field of AP Chemistry by the College Board, an organization that directs all AP programming.



Ms. Mueller also has worked to develop SAT and ACT tests. She served three terms on the Test Development Committee for the SAT Chemistry Subject Tests, and at the ACT, she was a member of the Passages Research Committee. On this committee, "articles suitable for analysis are examined and suggestions are made about questions on the test," she says.

Regina Dominican is extremely proud to have Ms. Mueller as a member of its faculty. She is a treasured member of the Regina community, a favorite amongst students, and an inspiration to many of our alumnae who have gone on to pursue chemistry and related STEM fields.





# REGINA GIRLS LEAD!

## INTRODUCING THE NEW LEADERSHIP BADGING PROGRAM

This year, the Leadership Institute launched a new Leadership Badging Program created by Director Jennifer Herrington. The leadership competency badges are aligned with the Regina Dominican leadership model, and each year focuses on a different quadrant of the leadership shield: Authentic Self-Confidence, Joyful Learning, Compelling Communication, and Global Citizenship. “Our goal is for every student to engage in a range of leadership activities that enhance her personal leadership development for success at Regina Dominican and beyond,” explained Herrington. “Through the badging program, students develop awareness of their unique strengths and capabilities through assessment, experience, and reflection and become effective leaders who have the desire and ability to lead others. We know Regina Girls can make a difference and have a positive impact on the world.”

This innovative badging program, recognized with a grant from the White Foundation for its dedication to the future good, was

piloted with freshmen and sophomores. Authentic Self-Confidence was the focus area. Through participation in advisory activities, self-assessments, leadership workshops, and a culminating project, students learned how to act from their inner authority, celebrated their unique strengths and abilities, and gained confidence as everyday leaders. In reflecting on her confidence level, **Grace Schnier '23** wrote: “I learned through this experience that while I may not stumble upon natural confidence right away, good communication is one of my strengths, and when that is put into use and received well, I feel like I can continue down my path with a strong goal in mind....Being a leader starts with authentic passion and leads to authentic confidence, and I could not be more glad that I had the opportunity to experience it during my freshman year at Regina.”

Students who complete all required activities and earn the leadership badge will receive a lanyard pin and a sticker badge for

their iPads, and will have the award noted on their transcripts and announced during the Fall Honors Assembly. **Leia Spaniak '21** created the winning badge designs.

In her final project, **Madison Maloney '21** reflected many of the student sentiments when she shared, “I can continue to improve my self confidence by continuing to put myself in leadership positions. The more I lead, the better I will become. The better I become, the more confidence that I will gain. Another way that I can improve my self confidence is to always stay positive and have faith in myself. I tend to doubt myself more than necessary in everyday life. By believing in myself, I can accomplish so much more.” Students will build upon this confidence and continue their leadership development during the upcoming 2020-2021 school year with a focus on Joyful Learning. We look forward to seeing what they will accomplish!



## LEADERSHIP SCHOLARS TAKE ACTION TO BETTER OUR PLANET

The Leadership Scholars Program continues to flourish and grow, with students examining what it means to be a leader, exploring their leadership styles, and leading events and initiatives across our school community. This year, the Leadership Scholars team of **Anne Berg**, **Bridie Daly**, **Jackie Fuentes**, **Alicia Roque**, and **Jaydi Vasquez** (all Class of 2021) launched their Panther Planet action project. With the vision to create a more environmentally conscious student body, the Panther Planet team developed an online platform to inform and inspire others to take action to better our planet. They launched an Instagram account, learned to run an engaging social media platform and tracked their metrics, led schoolwide activities, and collaborated with Leadership Scholars **Caroline Seaman '20** and **Lucie Sullivan '20** to promote the use of reusable tumblers and water bottles. These ambitious and results-oriented Leadership Scholars will expand their project this school year to design even more challenges and activities to inspire students, and will provide recommendations and resources for our school community to be more environmentally friendly.



**Follow Panther Planet on Instagram: @Gogreenregina**



## JUNIOR HIGH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE PANEL

The annual Junior High Leadership Conference welcomes students from area elementary schools and is facilitated by student leaders from Regina Dominican and Notre Dame College Prep. The theme for the Fall 2019 conference was "Inspire. Act. Lead." Students heard from a panel of servant leaders who were inspired to take action and create positive change in the world. Panelists included Mona Purdy, founder of Share Your Soles; Gary Haeger, Chicago Bears Coat Drive; **Karina Kedo '11**, the STATIC Project; and Maria Ullmann, a road warrior for the Thirst Project.

## FINDING HER PASSION



This summer, Leadership Scholar **Madeleine Lunt '23** found her passion for political campaigning while interning for congressional candidate Solomon Rajput (MI-12), a medical student at the University of Michigan. As a part of a nationwide, 400-person remote intern group, she phonebanked, fundraised, and created social media and graphic design content for the campaign.

The majority youth-led campaign gained considerable attention and momentum, but the candidate was ultimately defeated. However, he and many of the movement's members, including Maddie, will be starting a new organization—Done Waiting—that will use the infrastructure built during the campaign to support other progressive candidates nationwide.

Maddie was selected for a student position on the National Leadership Team at Done Waiting, where she will be continuing her

work creating social media and graphic design content. Though Maddie was initially intimidated by the responsibility of the role, the members of Done Waiting were impressed with the skills she gained as a Leadership Scholar.

She explains, "Without my experience from Leadership Scholars, I definitely wouldn't have applied for a leadership position. But I remembered how Leadership Scholars taught me to be a leader and team player. I realized I can do this! Leadership Scholars helped me become a stronger individual leader and see how I can contribute as a leader in my community."

The Leadership Scholar program encourages students like Maddie to discover their voices, find their passions, and build leadership skills for success at Regina and beyond through inquiry-based learning and small group action projects.

Maddie says that being a Leadership Scholar has already made a lasting impact: "After just one year at Regina, I can already tell I'm a completely different person now that I've found my passion. I cannot wait for what the future holds!"

# A YEAR OF STANDOUT STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Despite many challenges this school year, our students continued to shine! From Campus Ministry to Mathletes, our students were recognized for their talents on a local, regional, and national level.

## REGINA GIRLS LEAD THE WAY

Regina's Leadership Scholars attended and facilitated several notable events this year, including the Illinois Holocaust Museum Student Leadership Day and the TEDxWilmetteWomen speaker series.

Regina's young leaders also were able to attend many development workshops. The Rotary Club sponsored **Isabella Nunez '22** and **Melanie Ovalle '22** to attend the three-day Rotary Youth Leadership Workshop in Wisconsin in the fall. Several sophomores were selected to attend the virtual version of the annual Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Conference: **Emily Chavez '22**, **Kirka Kallioras '22**, **Ellie Lorraine '22**, **Catherine Patti '22**, **McKenzie Johnson '22**, and **Tamia Quach '22**.

## SPECTACULAR SENIORS

The prestigious Chick Evans Scholarship was awarded to **Riley McInerney '20** for her academic achievements and her demonstrated skill as a golf caddy. She will be attending the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in the fall to study engineering.

**Grace Galante '20** was recognized as a National Merit Commended Scholar, placing her in the top 3% of scorers on the PSAT. She was additionally named an Illinois State Scholar alongside nine of her classmates.

## NATIONAL HISTORY DAY CONTEST

This year, **Kirka Kallioras '22**, **Madison Maloney '22**, **Erin Martens '22**, and **Meghan Martens '22** advanced to nationals in the Performance category with *The Influenza Pandemic of 1918-1919: Revolutionizing Medicine*.



## STEM STUDENTS SOAR

Our Mathletes excelled at the Illinois Mathletes Regional Competition on Saturday, February 22, 2020. Eight students were recognized as State Qualifying Mathletes, and **Belinda Xing '21**, **Bowen Yin '21**, and **Ying Zhou '20** took third in the Algebra 1 competition.

Regina Girls continued to ace academics during remote learning! After sweeping the Regionals and Sectionals of the Academic Challenge, our Panthers forged onward to the State Finals held online. With more than eight schools competing, we placed fourth as a team and had one individual medalist—**Anne Berg '21** placed fifth in the state for Chemistry.

## EXCEPTIONAL CAMPUS MINISTRY

This spring, several of Regina's Dominican Preachers were honored with a Vicariate II Youth Leadership Award. These awards by the Archdiocese of Chicago recognize four categories of outstanding ministry and service performed by youth.

- Peer Ministry: **Nicolette Anichini '20**, **Nora Clancy '20**, **Anna Greifelt '21**, and **Maeve Newton '21**
- Community Service and Social Justice: **Elie Murphy '20** and **Bella Reyes '20**
- Prayer and Worship: **Erin Phelan '20** and **Kayla Smith '21**
- Catechesis: **Cara Quinlan '20** and **Grace Steffen '20**

# Retreat Welcomes Class of 2023 TO THE DOMINICAN FAMILY

On August 22, 2019, 70 freshmen from Regina Dominican spread out their sleeping bags and blankets in a conference room at the Adrian Dominican Motherhouse in Adrian, Michigan. This classwide sleeping party was part of the Freshman Retreat, when the Class of 2023 had the opportunity to spend two days at the Motherhouse, where many sisters live and where the administrative offices are located, learning about Dominican identity and the Adrian Dominican Sisters who sponsor Regina Dominican.

The Freshman Retreat introduces students to the Four Pillars of Dominican Life: Community, Prayer, Study, and Service, with a particular emphasis on the Pillar of Community. **Eleanor Schmerler-Rich '09**, one of the chaperones and the Freshman Class Moderator, states, "I believe that the retreat helped our freshman class bond more than ever . . . Being in a new environment evened the playing field when it came to getting to know new classmates and teachers. It was incredible to see how quickly the girls not only bonded with one another but also the Adrian Dominican Sisters." In addition to the slumber party, students played games and had fun, did a service project alongside each other, and prayed together.

The Freshman Retreat also helped the students to recognize that they are part of a larger Dominican family. During the retreat, students had the opportunity to meet and hear from Adrian Dominican Sisters, many of whom had connections to Regina Dominican, and who helped the students to recognize that they were part of a shared tradition and to see the support of the Adrian Dominican Sisters for their school. The students who attended the retreat appreciated learning more about the connection between the Adrian Dominican Sisters and Regina Dominican. **Molly Heaney '23** said of the experience, "It's nice to know where the Regina family originated. I'm glad I had the opportunity to get to know some of the sisters and spend time with them. It was also really fun hanging out and getting closer with the Regina Girls."

**Madeleine Lunt '23** also enjoyed the experience of getting to know her classmates and the sisters. She said, "My favorite part of the retreat was sitting with the sisters at Mass and at lunch. I loved getting to know them and their stories. I'll always remember how kind and loving they were in welcoming 70 girls into their home! Everyone was just so nice and friendly!"



# Rising to the Ch

## FINE ARTS AT REGINA DOMINICAN

Neighbors in Italy singing to one another from their balconies, Instagrammers recreating classic paintings with household items, chalk art adorning sidewalks proclaiming, “We are in this together!” 2020 has taught us one thing about art: creating something beautiful together is not merely a way to cope, but a process by which communities are built and strengthened.

This is especially true for students, who are young artists who are just beginning to discover their individual talents and creative footprint. At Regina, we were fortunate to have the majority of the fine arts season run as usual. We began with our Fall Musical, *The Wizard of Oz*, in November. Audience members were delighted by a strong quartet of seniors, two of whom, **Nicolette Anichini '20** and **Maya Cornejo '20**, are continuing their Music Theatre studies in college. This solid opening was followed by a festive Christmas Concert in December to usher in the holiday season and showcase our choral, orchestra, and guitar students.

Granted, performances could not wow audiences without the tireless work of backstage operations—and at Regina, students are responsible for all aspects of production. Regina Girls are our stage managers, our scenic artists, our costumers, and our lighting and audio designers. Even the Fall Musical poster was a student original, designed by **Molly Fay '20**, who will be heading to Columbia College, Chicago, to study art in the fall.

Spring brought its own celebrations with the annual Orchesis Dance Concert and the Variety Show. However, the morning of the Variety Show, Regina Leadership

made the decision to transition to remote learning for everyone's safety beginning the following Monday, and at first staff wondered whether the performance should be canceled. Thankfully, quick thinking saved the day: audience members were spaced out to maintain social distance, and careful blocking onstage ensured that the show could indeed go on. The performance was a celebration not only of our students' talents, but of Regina's ability to adapt to sudden change.

This was the last on-campus performance for the season, but such setbacks only encouraged our community to find new ways to create and share. Staff, students, and friends of Regina alike were treated to a one-of-a-kind Virtual Concert in May, a culmination of much preparation and collaboration. Students recorded themselves singing or playing an instrument, and Music Director Noah Pligge—the mastermind behind the very idea of a virtual concert—mixed them together to create choirs and bands that could exist only in the age of Zoom!

We've always felt fortunate to have a dedicated Fine Arts faculty that is able to bring out the best in our multifaceted student body, but this year only highlighted their critical role in our community. The arts at Regina have brought joy to us in both the best and the most challenging moments of the school year. We hope to emulate the students' and faculty's dedication and creativity as we push forward into another year that will surely be unconventional, but full of opportunities for thinking outside the box.

Orchesis Dance Concert



Fall Musical



Fall Musical



# challenge



Christmas Concert



Variety Show



“ Our Fine Arts classes provide students with a well-rounded education, allowing them to express themselves as well as develop and share their creativity through the arts. ”

—ALISON VALADEZ, DANCE TEACHER

# Orchesis Soars

## ANNUAL CONCERT *ELEMENTS* DAZZLES AUDIENCE



Kathleen Rabbitt '20, Jackie Fuentes '21,  
Nancy Spiedel '21, Mia Galante '20, Alison Valadez

Regina's resident dance company, Orchesis, enjoyed its most successful season yet! Their March 2020 production, *Elements*, featured a record 80 dancers and introduced a never-before-seen immersive art installation from the Visual Arts Department. The performance drew in over 430 people from the Chicagoland area.

The week leading up to the concert was one of the highlights of the season for Director and Dance faculty Alison Valadez. The team spent over 70 hours at Regina in total, including tech and dress rehearsals as well as two performances.

In addition to this incredible effort of study and practice, students were involved in choreography, lighting, music, and prop production. *Elements* also featured a debut collaboration with Regina's 3D Design class, taught by Visual Arts faculty Sarah McNeely. The theme of the four elements—fire, water, earth, and air—was brought to life in the O'Shaughnessy Auditorium Foyer with images of flowing rivers, thundering clouds, and flickering flames.

"My goal was for the audience members to fully immerse themselves in the elements from the moment they walked through the doors," explains Ms. Valadez. "This

was achieved thanks to Sarah McNeely's incredibly talented 3D Design class! This production would not have been the same without her hard work and talented Visual Art students!"

Being a part of Orchesis is more than the intensive study of dance: students pour their hearts and souls into telling stories with movement, and learn to master the art of dance both as single performers and as small parts of a whole, coordinated ensemble. For the 2020-21 season, Orchesis plans to continue moving full-steam ahead. In-person classes will be held with appropriate sanitation and social distancing guidelines observed, and should Regina transition back to virtual learning, live Zoom lessons will keep dancers on track with their curriculum.

Regardless of the format of teaching, Ms. Valadez is excited to see what the next year holds. "These girls put forth so much time and effort into preparing for the show while also keeping up with their school work. They truly give their all during every performance and I could not be more proud to be their teacher!"

Well said. We could not be more proud to call them our Panthers.



# 2019-2020 SPORTS RECAP

This year proved that the competitive Panther spirit could not be diminished, even by the most unexpected circumstances. From triumphant and buzzer-beating victories, to tears brought on by cancelled seasons and empty fields, our Regina Dominican Panthers proved once again that they are stronger together even when they had to adapt to training and cheering on each other apart. The dedication of our athletes and coaches was evident with adaptive conditioning this spring through virtual workouts and social media challenges, thus proving once again that Regina Panthers are bold, strong, and competitive.

## ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

**Lilly Rausch '20** was selected as the 2019-2020 Regina Dominican Athlete of the Year. Her primary sport was soccer.

## ACADEMICS

- Throughout the three seasons, Regina athletes were recognized as Academic All-GCAC on 142 separate occasions.
- Regina Dominican's Basketball team was recognized as IBCA Academic All State. This award is presented to high school basketball teams with an outstanding average GPA.
- **Nora Clancy '20** was recognized by the IHSA as the Regina Dominican nominee for the Academic All State Team.

## BASKETBALL

Coming off of a successful 2018-2019 season, Coach Bob Newton's Varsity team finished as Regional runner-up, losing a heartbreaker to #1 seed Latin. **Laura Strenk '21** earned second team All State from the IBCA, as well as All-GCAC honors.

## BOWLING

Varsity Coach **Eleanor-Schmerler-Rich '09** and Junior Varsity Coach Virginia Biegel had a successful season with the Pinstriking Panthers! Regina's

Bowling program grew this year, and the program was able to roster two teams. Under the incredible leadership and coaching by Coach Biegel during her inaugural year, Junior Varsity placed fourth overall in the GCAC Conference.

## COLLEGE ATHLETIC COMMITMENTS

- **Angelina Adamo '20**, Track & Field, Carthage College
- **Erin Phelan '20**, Cross Country, Track & Field, Loras College
- **Ashley Martin '20**, Crew, Creighton University

## CROSS COUNTRY

Regina Dominican Cross Country under Coach Scott Bohlke earned second place at the IHSA Regional.

## GOLF

The Golf team welcomed nine freshmen this year! They had their highest number of participants in recent years. Panther **Jillian Seifert '20** advanced to the IHSA Sectional as an individual! Jillian plans to play club golf at the University of Tampa.

## MCDONELL AWARD

The McDonell Award is named in honor of former Regina Dominican Administrator Patricia "Pat" McDonell, who retired in June 2019. This award celebrates her legacy and is presented to the athletic team with the highest grade point average during each sports season. The Volleyball team won the award for the fall, while the Bowling team won the award for the winter and the Softball team won for the spring.

## SPRING SPORTS

Due to COVID-19, spring sports in Illinois were cancelled. This did not stop the hard work and drive of the Panthers. Coaches created virtual workouts and team bonding sessions to stay connected with their athletes and encouraged at-home conditioning. From mile challenges to at-home workout videos, our athletes stayed connected, competitive, and inspired.



2019 Golf Team



Maeve Newton '21, Laura Strenk '21

## TENNIS

Head Coach Calvin Loyd's squad finished second at the GCAC Championships, while **Laura Strenk '21** and **Maeve Newton '21** won GCAC Championships at #1 and #2 singles, respectively. Strenk was voted the Conference Player of the Year. Strenk also made her third consecutive trip to the IHSA State Finals.

## VOLLEYBALL

Under the guidance of first-year Coach Michelle Orth, the Panther Volleyball team hosted the IHSA Regional and advanced to the Championships. During the season, they were able to pick up a huge GCAC win against rival Resurrection, beating the Bandits on their home court. **McKenna Barrett '20** and **Priscilla McGhee '20** earned All-GCAC honors.

## Visit Us

Regina Dominican highly encourages prospective students to schedule a Paws Up Pop In, attend an Open House, arrange a personalized tour, or participate in our extracurricular events.

### 2020 PAWS UP POP INS

**October: 2, 9, 21, 23 & 28**

**November: 4, 11, 13, 18 & 20**

**December: 2 & 4**

Register for a Paws Up Pop In at:  
[rdhs.org/admissions/pop-in-preview-night/](https://rdhs.org/admissions/pop-in-preview-night/)

### GIRLS NIGHT IN EVENTS

**Friday, October 9: Twilight Yoga**

**Friday, November 20:**

**4th Annual Night of Service for Those Who Serve**

### OPEN HOUSES

**Sunday, October 18, 2020**

Noon - 2:00 p.m.

**Thursday, October 22, 2020**

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

*\*All families must pre-register for their tour.*

### CLASS OF 2025 ENTRANCE EXAM

**Saturday, December 5, 2020**

8:00 a.m.

\$25 Testing Fee

*\*Students are encouraged to pre-register.*

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# EXPERIENCE REGINA!

Since March 2020, several new phrases have entered our vocabulary: “asynchronous learning,” “social distancing,” “Zoom fatigue,” “hybrid learning,” and “Where did you get your mask?” However, at Regina Dominican, one thing remained the same: our number one priority has always been and will continue to be the health and well-being of our students.

The seriousness of more than just a few days off from school swiftly sunk in as we were dealing with the realities of a pandemic—one that would impact not only our beloved school community and families, but our entire nation and world. With 100% support from our faculty and staff, Regina continued to engage and educate our students through virtual lessons, afterschool clubs, and activities conducted via Zoom and Google Hangouts. Our faculty and staff remained accountable, accessible, informed, and equipped with resources to continue inspiring and guiding our students. The school year ended on a high note thanks to our unwavering leadership, who successfully planned and executed a beautiful and spirited Drive Thru Graduation for the Class of 2020!

This summer, special events shifted to the great outdoors. Future Panthers

were welcomed on campus with Panther Yoga and tested their culinary skills by participating in a Virtual Cooking Class with Regina Dominican alumna **Chef Melanie Peterson '81**. The Regina bus could be seen throughout the city and North Shore with our Paws Up Pop Up!

Now, fall is upon us, and while our Shadow Days, Open Houses, and Girls Night In events will be slightly different from years past, our number one priority remains the health and safety of our Future Panthers and their families. We are taking precautions in accordance with State health guidelines, and look forward to providing our guests with a fun and safe Regina experience.

Paws Up Pop Ins registration opened in early August, and all students must register online to secure their day. All students attending a Shadow Day must adhere to social distancing guidelines set forth by the State and outside agencies.

Join us this fall for a personalized tour of campus, or if you prefer, we can schedule a personalized Zoom information session specifically designed around your daughter's interests. We look forward to meeting our Future Panthers. Paws Up!



Pattie Fuentes,  
Eleanor Schmerler-Rich '09

# Thank You Frontline Workers!

During these difficult times, there is one thing we can count on—Regina Girls are out there, serving our community and making a difference. We are so grateful to all those on the front lines.



**1. Marti Barthel, RN**, has served as Regina's School Nurse since 2010. She is the proud mother of three Regina alumnae: **Katie '09**, **Sarah '11**, and **Emily '16**. Marti holds a BSN and MSN from Loyola University Chicago.

**2. Debbie Wagner Rosengarden, BSN, RN, CVRN-BC '73** shares, "I've been working at AMITA St. Francis Hospital in Evanston for 27 years in the Cardiac-Neurovascular Unit. Currently, our floor has been turned into the COVID Unit. The past two months have been the most stressful but rewarding time of my career. Please pray for us and our patients."

**3. Patty Kissinger, Ph.D. '77** is an infectious disease epidemiologist and Associate Dean of Faculty Affairs at Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine. (See page 30 for more.)

**4. Sandra Harkin Prommer, RN '86** works in the COVID ICU at Loyola University Medical Center. She shares, "I've worked in Trauma/SICU at Loyola since 1991. Our unit shifted to COVID at the end of February."

**5. Sarah Schnitzius Cochran '96** works at the Oregon Medical Group Willamette NOW Clinic. Her role is the Back Office Lead, Nationally Certified Medical Assistant currently leading the Respiratory (COVID) Clinic for Oregon communities.

**6. Julia Strobel Peterson '99** works as a nurse practitioner in the Emergency Departments at NorthShore University HealthSystem.

**7. Donna Justiniano Baquial '99** is an ICU nurse and community health educator for Shore Community Homes, a nonprofit based in Skokie. Shore Community cares for adults with developmental disabilities who are at most risk from COVID-19. Donna's husband is also an ICU nurse for AMITA Health Care.

**8. Tracy Roszkowski Lynch '00** is a PACU nurse at Ravine Way Surgery Center in Glenview. The Center is affiliated with the Illinois Bone and Joint Institute, and focuses on orthopedic and sports medicine.

**9. Katie Vela '02** graduated from Marquette University with

her BSN in 2007 and her MSN in 2012. Katie specializes in vascular surgery. She moved back to the Chicago area last year after living in San Antonio for five years. She now works with AMITA Health.

**10. Megan Smyrniotis Mattingly '04** is a critical care nurse practitioner at NorthShore University HealthSystem and adult inpatient nurse practitioner at Shirley Ryan AbilityLab.

**11. Monica Ruiz '04** attended Loyola University. Monica is a nurse and currently works in Oncology at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, Chicago.

**12. Julie Kathleen Kuczmariski '06** is a dialysis technician and works at Fresenius Kidney Care in Chicago in the Rogers Park area.

**13. Grace Ansani '07** has worked for two years as a nurse on the Trauma Floor at Mount Sinai Hospital, a safety-net community-based Level 1 Trauma Center on the west side of Chicago.

**14. Kelly Grant, RN '08** works in Inpatient Oncology at Rush

University Medical Center in Chicago. Kelly shares, "Thank you for continuing to wear your masks, wash your hands, and practice social distancing. You are all making a difference to flatten the curve!"

**15. Kelly Allworth, MSN, RN '09** works at Rush University Medical Center.

**16. Clare Flaherty '13** is normally a nurse on a Pulmonary Floor at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, but since the start of COVID, she has been solely working in the COVID ICU. She feels so fortunate to be able to work alongside her dad, who is an infectious disease physician at Northwestern also treating COVID patients.

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## REGINA DOMINICAN BLACK & WHITE GALA A NIGHT OF GIVING FOR GREATNESS



Caeli Award recipients Thomas and Jane O'Malley (center) with their family



President Elizabeth Schuster

Regina Dominican's annual gala, The Black & White, is our largest fundraising event of the year and a festive night for parents, alumnae, and friends, as all gather for cocktails, a silent auction, seated dinner, and live auction. On this night, we put a spotlight on those who have provided vital support to the school and we honor the recipients of the annual Regina Caeli Award. This year, Thomas and Jane O'Malley received the Regina Caeli award for their many years of dedication to Catholic education and the advancement of women.

The Regina Caeli Award has been presented over the past 27 years to recognize outstanding members of the Regina Dominican community for their sustaining support and constant dedication to the school's mission.

Thomas and Jane O'Malley's family have a rich history of Regina commitment, beginning with Jane's mother, who was widowed at an early age and made significant sacrifices to ensure the best education possible for Jane at Aquinas Dominican High School, which was run by the Adrian Dominican Sisters in the South Shore. When **Sarah O'Malley Thorrens '82**, Tom and Jane's daughter, was preparing to enter high school, Jane and Tom turned once again to the Adrian Dominican Sisters with complete confidence in the rigorous education and valuable experience Sarah would gain at Regina Dominican. Three decades later, Sarah and her husband Eliseo entrusted their daughter **Kerry Thorrens '10** to Regina Dominican, and another Regina Girl was guided, in the words of St. Catherine of Siena, to "Be who God meant you to be, and you will set the world on fire."

During acceptance remarks, Tom and Jane expressed appreciation for the Adrian Dominican Sisters, President Elizabeth Schuster, and her team for providing this educational gift of Regina Dominican to each girl who comes through the doors.

In all, more than \$413,000 was raised, and it will be directed towards scholarships and academic programs.

We thank Tom and Jane O'Malley and all of our donors and supporters for helping Regina foster the growth of women of intention and impact.



Maura Chamberlin with The Pink Ladies



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Thomas and Dolores Krebs



Jordan and Sabrina Williams,  
Michael and Eileen Murdock,  
Michaela Shaw



Regina Students



Margie Berg, Liz Maloney



Ciara McNeill '20



Top L to R: Dan Leahy, Melody and Todd Steffan, Jean Goodwin, Mark Rausch  
Bottom L to R: Kim Leahy, Sarah and Michael Rabbitt, Aimee and Michael Kelly

# THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!

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Mary Collins White '83 and Brent White, Elizabeth Schuster,  
S. Nancy Murray '65, OP

# A YEAR OF REGINA



## GOLF OUTING

The 22nd Annual Booster Club Golf Outing was unique in that it happened over two days! After a rain-out on the initial date, 100 Panther supporters returned on a lovely October afternoon for a day of golf followed by dinner at the Wilmette Golf Club. Together they raised more than \$38,000, which helped cover the costs for brand new uniforms for our athletic teams, as well as extra field space for practices. We thank our golfers, volunteers, and generous sponsors who made the event a success! Rain or shine, we are always in good company with our Panther Family.

1. Wally West, GERALYN SULLIVAN '79, Kathy Kiernan, Maureen West '79

2. Lillian Rausch, Kaitlyn Leahy

3. Jeff Herrmann, Rob Cerrado

4. Mark Rausch, Mike Kelley, Cheryl Quinlan, Jeff Herrmann, Jim Maloney, Dan Leahy, Stephen Gibbons

5. Jillian Seifert '20

6. Neil Kitchie, Alex Kitchie, Dan Grossman

7. Dr. Kassie Porreca, Elizabeth Schuster

8. Panther Student Athlete Golf Outing Volunteers



# EVENTS: 2019-2020

## VERITAS DINNER

Members of the Veritas Society attended Regina's Annual Dinner on October 23, 2019. The Society is comprised of Regina Dominican's leading benefactors, and this is our opportunity to thank them for their thoughtful support. Held at the Michigan Shores Club, Pastor Rev. Jerry Boland of Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish was the liturgical celebrant. After Mass, President Elizabeth Schuster thanked the Society members for their ongoing patronage and the important role they play in the school's growth and mission. Rounding out the evening, we heard from Senior Class President **Nora Clancy '20**, who expressed deep appreciation for her Regina Dominican education and gratitude for all who have helped make a Regina Dominican education a reality.

*\*Membership in the Society is open to all individuals, corporations, and foundations who have made an annual gift contribution of \$1,000 or more.*



Lou Glunz, Nancy Jacobs, Sheila Mickus



Nora Clancy '20, Eliseo Thorrens



Sue Forester '74, Michael Forester, Betsy Donahue '74



Maura Chamberlin, Mardi Woodward '63, S. Carol Fleming, OP

## DONOR APPRECIATION VIRTUAL LUNCHEON

2020 was a year of firsts, and for the first time, on May 7, we held our Donor Appreciation Luncheon. Both students and guests enjoyed a beautiful reflection shared by **Nubia Dandridge '14**: "Regina is a family that develops and transforms hearts and minds of young aspiring and capable women." She went on to share her deep appreciation for donors who made a Regina education possible for her. Guests were then joined by students in breakout rooms for one-on-one conversations. Many thanks to our donors for sharing in this first-ever experience and for all you do for our students.



## FRIENDS OF REGINA LUNCHEON

In December, President Elizabeth Schuster welcomed alumnae, parents, family, and friends to the Glen View Club for the 28th Annual Event. This event has become a beloved holiday tradition as all gathered to support Regina. Many thanks to chairs Sheila Mickus (mother of **Bridget Mickus Baumstark '87** and **Colleen Mickus Robson '91**) and **Mardi Woodward '63** (mother of **Shannon Woodward Haughey '87** and **Casey Woodward Marx '02**) for organizing this wonderful way to kick off the holiday season.

Top L to R: Liza Jessen '00, Pam Dhamer, Corinne McClintic '70  
Bottom L to R: Mary Mints '72, Eileen Murdock, Joanie Reynolds '72, Charlene Shaw '66, Elizabeth Schuster



Class of 1979



Class of 2004



Class of 1984



Class of 1969



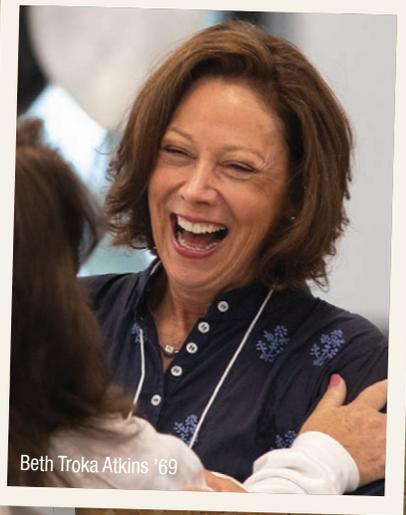
Class of 1964



Class of 1994



Class of 2009



Beth Troka Atkins '69



Class of 1974



Class of 1964



# Reunion 2019

## GOOD TIMES. GREAT FRIENDS.

Thank you to everyone who came to Reunion 2019 celebrating banner years ending in 4s and 9s! Reunion is a great time to reconnect with friends you haven't seen in years and still have it feel like old times. On Friday, October 11, 2019, alumnae returned home for a school luncheon and classroom visits. Saturday's celebration included our Alumnae Mass, class pictures, and school reception. After the reception, banner year classes held parties at local venues.

Congratulations to the **Class of 1969** on your 50th reunion! Your class had the highest reunion attendance and reunion gift participation. The class had 98 reunion gifts totaling \$72,820! They easily surpassed the \$20,000 goal set by the 50th Reunion Committee. Gifts sent in by banner year alumnae are acknowledged as a part of their class gifts. On Friday night they gathered at Hackney's and on Saturday they celebrated at North Shore Country Club. Thank you to our wonderful Reunion Committee members: **Beth Troka Atkins, Pamela Ryan-Brye, Meg Wehmer Cagney, Mary Ford Dolan, Meg Glass Georgevich, Ellen McGregor Hurley, Janice Krakora-Looby, Maribeth Nesbitt, Mary Ann Dolan Pepper, Mary Gail Reding, TC Woodward Wells, and Jan Leibold Zorn.**

The **Class of 1964** held their 55th reunion with dinner at Prairie Moon in Evanston and a luncheon/picnic at Mallinckrodt Center in

Wilmette. Thank you to committee members **Barbara Kurrack Cooper, Barbara Kinateder Hoffman, and Christine McGovern.**

The **Class of 1974** celebrated at the Happ Inn. Thanks to **Martha Mints Boudewyns, Sue Carey Coyle, Patti Bowe Garvey, Laurie Baker Lawlor, Margaret Nora Mudd, Buffy McNabola Rock, and Sue Quinlan.**

The **Class of 1979** celebrated at Glenview House. Thank you to committee members **Susan von Stein Gauna and Libby Harris Hopkins!**

The **Class of 1984** celebrated at Valley Lo Paddle. They also visited the senior class to dedicate a chair in the Senior Lounge honoring classmate Ginny Holton. The Class of '84 spent time with the Class of 2020 and shared some of their favorite Regina memories! Thank you to committee members **Susan Poczatek Foley and Julie Proesel Reilly** for planning!

The **Class of 1994** raised their glasses at the Bottle Shop. Thanks to **Julia Gomez Fernandez and Grace Musiala Flatt** for organizing a wonderful party!

The **Class of 1999** celebrated at Harp and Fiddle in Park Ridge. Thank you to **Melissa Calabrese and Maria Monastero Orszula** for their hard work in planning!

The **Class of 2004** had an informal gathering at Kirkwood's Bar in Chicago. Thank you to **Katie Bak, Michelle Forcier, Terry Forester Labanowski, and Ashley Kaehn** for planning the gathering!

The **Class of 2009** celebrated their 10-year reunion with a gathering at Hackney's. They had a great turnout at the Mass and their party! Thank you to committee members **Analisa Condon, Colleen Kelley, Elizabeth McCann, Carolyn Skoul, and Olivia Antosz Zdeb.**

### THANK YOU!

2019 Reunion gift giving totals\* exceeded \$156,256 with over 250 gifts received! Reunion is a unique time to acknowledge new stages in our lives and to give back to the school that helped shape our futures and forged so many friendships. Gifts of all sizes ensure that today's Regina Girls have the same incredible experience that we had. Your gifts help us to continue to make Regina Dominican the best place for girls to lead, use their voices, challenge their limits, and explore the possibilities.

Although we will not have a Reunion in 2020, we look forward to having double the fun at Reunion 2021! We will be celebrating banner years ending in 0s, 1s, 5s, and 6s!

*\*For a full class gift report, view the annual report insert.*

# REGINA ALUMNAE

## ALUMNAE BOARD

The purpose of the Alumnae Board is to build and strengthen the Regina Dominican alumnae network and further develop relationships between alumnae and the Regina Dominican school community. The Alumnae Board plans and hosts events throughout the year. **Elizabeth McCann '09** served as the Alumnae Board President for one year. She recently accepted the position of Director of Alumnae and Parent Relations at Regina Dominican. **Sally Robey '78** is currently serving as President, **Carolyn Skoul '09** is Vice President, and **Ellen Nicolau Ernst '07** is Secretary.

To learn more about the Alumnae Board or serving on a committee, please contact **Elizabeth McCann '09** at [emccann@rdpanthers.org](mailto:emccann@rdpanthers.org).

## ALUMNAE INDUCTION CEREMONY

The Class of 2020 was inducted into the Alumnae Association on May 26, 2020, via Zoom by the Alumnae Board members and alumnae faculty. President Schuster officially presented **Katherine Kinnaird '08** with the Young Alumnae Medal. Katherine told the

Seniors how Regina provided the academic tools to succeed in college, graduate school, and their careers. She encouraged the seniors to “view the world as your class and everyone you meet as a teacher.” Alumna teacher **Annie Tully '92**, shared a heartfelt reflection on how important Regina is to her and how this senior class was very special to her. The Class of 2020 were freshmen when Ms. Tully started at Regina. The ceremony concluded with a wonderful slideshow created by the Junior Class Leadership Board.

## ALUMNAE CHOIR

Relive your Madrigal days! Join the Alumnae Choir to sing at the annual Alumnae Remembrance Mass. **Kaylee Lentino '92**, along with accompanist John Hopkins, has led the choir the last three years at Reunion. We look forward to hearing them again at Reunion 2021! **Susan Hager '08** has been leading the choir at the Remembrance Mass. Visit [rdhs.org/events/alumnae-choir-orchestra-registration](http://rdhs.org/events/alumnae-choir-orchestra-registration) to be added to the list!

## NYC GATHERING

NYC Regina Girls gathered in the home of **Carrie Reborra Barratt '77** on November 14, 2019. The purpose of the gathering was to

meet and network with alumnae in the area, share Regina Dominican news, and grow the NYC Chapter. **Brigid Cremin Rosati '06**, NYC Chapter organizer, hopes to have gatherings twice a year, including a summer outing. The Chapter also generously donated NYC-themed items and a NYC-themed basket to the Black & White Gala. Thank you to our Big Apple Alumnae!

Pictured below are six decades of NYC Regina Girls. Shown from left to right: Front row: **Diane Garvey, Alumnae Director, Stephanie Josin '99, Laura House '90, Julia Gillard '96**. Second row: **Joan Mulvihill Kitchie '77, Katherine O'Leary '88, Mary Spadoni '02, Brigid Cremin Rosati '06 (Chapter Chair), Mary Beth Sasso '75, Ann Bresler Namm '64, Laurie Reynolds Scovotti '03, Christina Rogawski '03, Madeline Rock '11, Susan Kasluga '65, Julie Busch Tucker '87, Kathleen Noonan '87, Katie Zipprich Lee '96**. Third row: **Julie Roche '06, Maureen Huntley '76, Marguerite Rotunno Mehler '85, Katie McHugh Akbar '02, Amy Garvey '06, Emily Forester '06, Carol Schmidt-Spadaro '65**, and our host **Carrie Reborra Barratt '77**. Not pictured: **Susan Quinn '91, Terese Llorente '98**,



Alumnae Board



Young Alumnae Pizza Lunch

# CONNECT!

**Maureen Stewart '67, Kerry Thorrens '10, and Denise Condon Leemputte '78.**

## **REGINA DOMINICAN LAW SOCIETY**

The Regina Dominican Law Society (RDLS) was created to foster unity within the Regina Dominican law community. The RDLS encourages the advancement of women in the legal field, mentorship of our current students and recent graduates interested in the legal profession, and networking among Regina Dominican alumnae and friends in the legal arena. The Regina Dominican Law Society hosted a CLE and Networking Event on Monday, November 4, 2019. Illinois Appellate Court Justice Jesse G. Reyes presented *Civility and Ethics: Past, Present and Future*. Thank you to **Anita DeCarlo '91** and Ankin Law for co-hosting the event. The "Notorious RDJs" Symposium was held via Zoom on April 24, 2020, for our senior class. The event was initially planned as an all-school assembly in the auditorium, and 11 current and retired alumnae judges enthusiastically agreed to participate. When the pandemic necessitated moving to an online format, we had to scale down the number of judges and students who could attend, but all who did found it extremely

educational and enlightening. Many thanks to the **Honorable Jean Golden '70**, the **Honorable Colleen Reardon Daly '88**, and the **Honorable Clare Quish '93**. We hope to present the much larger Symposium in person in 2021.

If you are interested in joining the Society and receiving e-mail updates, visit [rdhs.org/alumnae/law-society](http://rdhs.org/alumnae/law-society).

## **REMEMBRANCE MASS**

Our annual Remembrance Mass was held on Sunday, November 3, 2019. Family members, classmates, and friends gathered for a special candle lighting ceremony and Mass followed by breakfast in the cafeteria. This Mass served as an opportunity to remember all our deceased alumnae who passed away during the previous 12 months. A Book of Remembrance was placed in the chapel for November. To request a Memorial Notice, please contact the Alumnae Office. For more information on the 2020 Remembrance Mass visit [rdhs.org/alumnae/in-sympathy](http://rdhs.org/alumnae/in-sympathy).

## **TRIVIA NIGHT**

Twenty-five teams representing alumnae, parents of current students, faculty and staff, and friends of Regina competed at this year's Trivia Night at St. Alphonsus Festival Hall. Congratulations to our two winning teams: The Untouchables had the highest scores, and The Worst Trouble Makers won the best theme. All team themes were creative and the decorations were better than ever! As always, the competition was fierce and fun was had by all! Thank you to all competitors and raffle donors for supporting Regina Dominican. Proceeds go to support the annual Black & White Gala. We look forward to hosting Trivia Night again in 2021. Stay tuned for more details!

## **YOUNG ALUMNAE PIZZA LUNCH**

Last December, college-age alumnae were welcomed back to visit with teachers and catch up with classmates over the Christmas break. We hope to be able to host this event this year, but will follow the CDC guidelines regarding large gatherings. Please visit [rdhs.org/alumnae](http://rdhs.org/alumnae) for more information on this event.



Alumnae Choir



The Worst Trouble Makers at Trivia Night



Regina Dominican Law Society



The Untouchables at Trivia Night



Peggy McNulty '79, Joan Mulvihill  
Kitchie '77, Diane Garvey,  
Maura Chamberlin

# Thank You, Diane!

## Advancement Office Says Goodbye and Welcome

The Advancement Office said goodbye to **Diane Garvey** at the end of the 2019-2020 school year after seven years of service. Diane plans to retire to North Carolina at the end of the year. She will be greatly missed by her coworkers and the Alumnae Board. We thank Diane for her dedication to Regina, her wonderful sense of humor, and her sharp wit. Diane was presented with a Regina diploma and is officially an Honorary Regina Dominican alumna!

Regina Dominican is pleased to welcome **Elizabeth McCann '09** as the new Director of Alumnae and Parent Relations. Elizabeth has been very active with the Alumnae Board since 2014, most recently serving as President. She was an integral part of the Annual Trivia Night and Alumnae Cubs Game. Elizabeth has also served as Regina's golf coach since 2014. In her new role, Elizabeth will continue to work closely with the Alumnae Board, while assisting in planning many events at Regina. Although the year may look a little different, she remains excited about all of the upcoming events at Regina!

## Meet Our New Alumnae Board Cabinet Members

**Sally Grimes Robey '78 - President**  
After graduating from Regina, Sally attended the college of St. Catherine in St. Paul,

Minnesota, and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in communication and theatre. After starting her career in the communication field, she went back to Northwestern University at night for an accounting certificate. Sally has worked in accounting as a second career. She is the mother of four children ranging in age from 32 to 18, and raised her family in Wilmette with her husband Curt. She and Curt are very active in Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish, and are now the very happy grandparents of two!

Sally has three sisters who are also alumnae: **Paula Grimes McEachen '74**, **Nancy Grimes Couto '80**, and **Jenny Grimes O'Brien '88**. Sally's niece, Kristin Couto, is a member of the resilient class of 2020!

Sally has been an active Alumnae Board member for several years. She most recently served as Vice President and is very excited to start her Presidency.

### Carolyn Skoul '09 - Vice President

After graduating from Regina, Carolyn attended Villanova University, where she graduated cum laude from the Honors College with a double major in Humanities and Classical Studies. She currently works in sales management at The RealReal and lives in the Wicker Park neighborhood of Chicago with her rescue dog, Finn. Carolyn also is a member of the Junior League of Chicago, where she has served on the Advocacy Committee and at the

Women's Treatment Center. Pre-quarantine, she was planning a trip to Jordan, Egypt, and Greece. That journey now has been modified to a socially-distanced road trip to the national parks of the Southwest. As an Alumnae Board member since 2016, Carolyn has enjoyed meeting alumnae from all decades both on the Board itself and at Regina's fundraising and networking events. She previously has served on the Alumnae Engagement Committee and was Board Secretary before being nominated for Vice President for the 2020-2021 school year.

### Ellen Nicolau Ernst '07 - Secretary

After graduating from Regina, Ellen attended Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa, where she received her degree in Elementary Education. Ellen taught for a few years and then transitioned into event planning and project management. She currently resides in Chicago with her husband, Will.

"I first joined the Board in 2016 after attending a women's luncheon. I had only been to a few Regina alumnae events here and there over the years since graduating, but really enjoyed reconnecting with alumnae at this luncheon. I have since joined the Board with the goal to bring more alumnae back to Regina, connect with old friends, and empower the young women of the future."

The Alumnae Board is currently accepting applications for new members. Please visit [rdhs.org/alumnae](http://rdhs.org/alumnae) for more information!

# CLASS UPDATES

The graduates of the Class of 2020 are the newest members of the Alumnae Association. As a welcome to these fabulous young women, some of our alumnae share their favorite Regina memories.

## CLASS OF 1964

**Patty Carroll '64** was recently awarded the grand prize for contemporary photography by *Don't Take Pictures*, a photography magazine published in print twice a year. The magazine celebrates the creativity involved with the making of photographs. Her photograph *Domestic Demise!* is part of her ongoing project, *Anonymous Women*, which consists of a four-part series of studio installations made for the camera, addressing women and their complicated relationships with domesticity.

## CLASS OF 1968

**Carolyn Bresler McMahon '68** is an educational consultant for early childhood programs through the Bureau of Education and Research. She travels extensively throughout the United States and has been lucky enough to do some unique international travel. Her passions are writing with the youngest students. She has published widely in her field and is a frequent speaker. Carolyn is not sure if she'll ever retire, "as it is a great job and I get to meet loads of wonderful teachers in the primary grades!"

## CLASS OF 1969

**Pamela King '69** enjoyed attending her 50th reunion last year! Subsequently she has been in contact with **Mary Bielinski, Sheila Conroyd Devlin, Peg Fitzgibbons Higgins, Mary Hopkins, Terry Rahe Hardesty, Ann Potter Navar, Suzy Scanlon Reschke, Mary O'Malley Rianoshek, and Beth Troka Arkins Russell**, all Class of '69. Reconnecting has been wonderful and she's looking forward to getting in touch with additional classmates!

**Cathie Ruggie Saunders '69** is a co-author with her School of the Art Institute of Chicago colleague, Martha Chiplis, of the publication of the second edition of *For the Love of Letterpress, A Printing Handbook for Instructors & Students*. The book is a comprehensive resource showcasing visual examples of contemporary letterpress printing, technical instructions on letterpress printing, and instructions on the teaching of letterpress. Since it was first published in 2013, the book has been adopted as a textbook in colleges and universities and added as a reference to design libraries in schools.

## CLASS OF 1975

**Mary Kay Locallo Reichenbach '75** gathered with Regina Girls at the Queen of All Saints reunion. Many of them went to school together from kindergarten to their senior year at Regina. The reunion was held in September 2019 and was a memorable evening filled with old friends, memories, and laughter.

## Turning Hardship into a Huge Blessing

**PATRICIA SIMON, RN '79**

Born with a cleft lip and palate, Patricia underwent several surgeries as a child. Then, at age 50, an abscess in her palate led her to seek care at the UI Health Craniofacial Center. Surrounded in the waiting room by children with craniofacial differences, she wondered if there were any children's books for them. After finding that no books on craniofacial differences had been published for children in almost 20 years, she resolved to write one. Pat had never written a children's book before, but she knew there was a need to teach children to be kind to one another and accept differences. She wrote *Smile with Simon*, a story about a bird born with a gap in his beak and a girl with a cleft lip and how they became friends. The book was translated into Tagalog and was used at a Smile Train speech camp for children in the Philippines. Her second book, *Simon and the Buddy Branch*, is a story about inclusion and

accepting people's differences. This summer, Pat published her third and fourth books, *Simon and the Bully* and *Simon & Patty Go to Camp*.

Pat is very involved in the Children's Craniofacial Association, and is a member of their Speakers' Bureau. She was the keynote speaker at New York Presbyterian Hospital's 2018 Inaugural Cleft Lip and Palate Team Day. She is also on the Cleft Community Advisory Council for Smile Train. She is currently working with several nonprofit organizations to develop a standardized curriculum for educating children about accepting those with differences.

Pat lives in North Barrington with her wife Colleen and their four dogs, including Leo, a French Bulldog born with a cleft lip and palate. You can find more information on Pat's books and advocacy work, as well as resources for the craniofacial community, at [www.smilewithsimon.org](http://www.smilewithsimon.org).





Mary Kay Locallo Reichenbach '75 (second from right) with friends

*"My first day of school as a freshman, my locker was next to a girl named Jill Riccini (deceased). She made me laugh in the first five seconds I met her. The rest is history. Best friends for life. Thank you, Regina, for placing me next to the girl who would be like a sister to me."*

**CLASS OF 1976**

**Maureen Huntley-Sheehan '76** started her career as an actor/radio artist and spent many years working in theatre. After working with children, she realized that child and adult behavior is affected by food, thoughts, and the behavior of others. She started a cold-pressed juice company that received FDA approval and was the first person to sell a product like this in stores. Maureen is also a trained vegan chef! She pursued a Master's in Health Coaching and is now launching a radio show. Some of her best friends are Regina Girls. Maureen has three boys and a girl, has co-authored three books, and continues to enjoy her career as a life coach!

**CLASS OF 1977**

**Patty Kissinger, Ph.D. '77** is an infectious disease epidemiologist and Associate Dean of Faculty Affairs at Tulane University School of Public Health and



Patty Kissinger, Ph.D. '77

Tropical Medicine. She has published over 160 scientific papers as well as dozens of book chapters. She is a frequent advisor to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the National Institutes of Health, and the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. Dr. Kissinger has been the principal investigator of numerous randomized trials to find better care and treatment for HIV, COVID-19, and other infectious diseases.

*"My love of science started at Regina when we dissected fetal pigs. My favorite memories were working on Student Council events, dances, and the Senior Lounge. My mom was my best role model, but so many of my teachers at Regina helped shape me."*



**Kathleen Harris '77** wrote a book published by the Wisconsin Historical Society Press, *From The Lookout—Memories of Peninsula State Park's Summer Camp for Girls*.

**CLASS OF 1978**

**Kathleen Wilson Klimo '78** completed her Master of Science in Nursing. Kathleen graduated with honors and is a member of the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society for Nursing.

*"My favorite memory is bringing my little sister, Karen Wilson Ilag '87, to school to enjoy the annual carnival."*

**CLASS OF 1983**

**Barbara Haderlein McCartney '83** is a

consumer product leader with a passion for accelerating food and nutrition businesses. During her career, she has held brand management and innovation roles for Unilever, Quaker, and Pillsbury, and served as the North American President of Nestle Healthcare Nutrition. Barbara is currently the Chief Growth Officer for Hyde Park Group Food Innovation, a trustee for St. Catherine of Siena Parish, and a leader in the New York City-based Executive Forum. She and her husband Drew are proud parents of Lauren (21), Liam (19), and Evan (13).



*"I truly loved my time at Regina—the many friends that I made, the inspiring teachers, and the respect that all of the girls had for their faith, the school, and each other. My fondest memories include fun at our cafeteria table, the Junior Dance, and being a lead in The Boyfriend."*

**Pia Valvassori, Ph.D.'83** has recently started a service learning course at Rollins College that she hopes will inspire her Master's in Public Health students to engage in community initiatives with vulnerable



**LEADING THE WAY IN CORPORATE MANAGEMENT  
COLLEEN MCKAY LANGNER '84**

Colleen is the Senior Vice President of Field Operations for Cox Communications. In this role, Colleen has overall responsibility for field operations across the company, which includes field services and outside plant maintenance, as well as field operations strategy and vendor management. Colleen is a 24-year Cox veteran, having held various senior-level marketing and sales roles in Atlanta and Southern California. As the former Senior Vice President of Marketing Operations, she was a driving force in helping Cox to adapt to new market conditions, customer expectations, and unrelenting competition. Her field experience as the Vice President of Marketing in California

gave her invaluable insights into the intricacies of how work gets done within a region. She brings an end-to-end view of the business and keen perspective on Cox's customers and how to better serve them.

She has been honored by MultiChannel News with a Wonder Woman Award, which is given to female executives at the forefront of cable television and the communication industry. She is the recipient of multiple CableFax's Most Powerful Women awards and the Woman of the Year Award from the Women in Cable Telecommunications Southern California chapter.

Currently, she sits on the InDemand Board of Directors and is the former Chair of the Cable & Telecommunications Association for Marketing (CTAM) Cable Co-op Board of Directors, as well as the Georgia State Marketing RoundTable. She has also served on the Board of the CTAM West and the California Cable Television Association, and was President of the Los Angeles Cable Co-Op. Colleen earned her undergraduate degree at Marquette University. She completed the Cable Executive Management program at Harvard Business School and completed the Women in Cable and Telecommunications Senior Executive Summit at Stanford Graduate School of Business. After many years in Orange County, California, she now lives in Atlanta with her husband Dan and sons Jack, Corey, and Ryan.

populations. In addition, she has launched a Health Care for the Homeless elective in collaboration with the University of Central Florida College of Medicine. This clinical elective will demonstrate to students the complex needs individuals experiencing homelessness are confronted with. Her hope is to inspire young professionals to be socially responsible and address social justice-related issues throughout their careers. Pia received the Regina Alumna Medal in 2018.

## CLASS OF 1990

**Mary Petro Noonan '90** and husband Jim welcomed a beautiful baby girl in May 2019. Michaela Dolores (named after Mary's mom) joins brother James (age 4).

Mary works as a Realtor at Coldwell Banker and sings with the Metropolitan Opera in the Extra Chorus.



Michaela Dolores Noonan

*"My fondest memories of Regina are singing in the musicals and going to the cast parties afterward!!!"*

## CLASS OF 1996

**Sharon Burke Parsons '96** is the Associate Director of Specialty Product at Humana, with more than 18 years of experience in health care. Sharon is responsible for the product development and management of the Employer Group Specialty Product portfolio, as well as the integration of corporate capabilities and services across the entire product portfolio. Sharon holds an MBA from the University of Notre Dame Executive MBA program in Chicago, and completed a double major to earn a BA in both psychology and philosophy from St. Norbert College in De Pere, Wisconsin. She currently holds two Bronze Stevie Awards for Women in Business, awarded in 2016 under the New Product and Employee of the Year categories. She holds the Gold Stevie Award for Product Developer of the Year 2017 from the American Business Awards.

## CLASS OF 1998



Benjamin David Bragg

**Mary Thoresdale Bragg '98** and Jason Bragg are happy to announce the arrival of their son, Benjamin David. Ben was born on May 6, 2020, and was welcomed into the family by big sister Anna (age 3). The Bragg family resides in Wilmette.

**Sarah Granahan HTP-A, RMT '98** is celebrating the recent launch of a new healing and wellness center in Raleigh, North Carolina, that she created with her business partner called Spirit's Quest ([www.spiritsquestcenter.com](http://www.spiritsquestcenter.com)).

At the center she sees clients for customized energy healing, intuitive readings, and coaching sessions. Sarah will continue to conduct her private sessions through Color My Spirit, LLC, a business she started in 2012 to develop her practice. Sarah and her partner are metaphysical education collaborators and run classes, workshops, and retreats to help support people on their healing journeys. Spirit's Quest has retail items for sale that support practitioners and clients alike, including her novel, *Koko's Gift*, and comic book *Chakrula*. She is very excited about her newest business opportunity and feels grateful to be able to hold space for people to heal!



## CLASS OF 2000

**Kristina Dugandzic Randall '00** welcomed twins in September of 2019, early at 26 weeks. They quickly taught Kristina and her husband about resilience, patience, and the power of prayer. Ariana and Oliver are thriving!



## CLASS OF 2002



**Lauren Kolodziej '02** is a senior medical writer for a communications agency in River North. Lauren and her husband Kyle Wilcoxon welcomed their son Walter Alexander in January 2020! Carol and Bill Kolodziej are proud grandparents.



## SUCCESSING IN FUNDRAISING

### SHEILA CAWLEY '86

Sheila is a seasoned fundraising professional, currently serving as the Vice President of External Affairs at the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago. She has held that position since 2012 and in that time has raised almost \$400 million for the Museum. Prior to working at MSI, Sheila held other fundraising leadership roles, including Vice President of Institutional Advancement at The Field Museum, Chicago, and Senior Vice President of Philanthropy at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago, and served as a campaign consultant for secondary school clients. Donor-centered fundraising is key to Sheila's professional success, as is her focus on cultivating strong development teams. In a sector dominated by staff turnover, Sheila is determined to recruit and retain the best talent in the industry and has built impressive and successful teams who work together to foster productive relationships between donors and the nonprofits they support.

**Lisa Colletti Jones '02** just celebrated her fifth anniversary at Berea College in Berea, Kentucky. She was promoted to Associate Director for Student and Alumni Engagement in January. Lisa has created a student philanthropy program that has grown over the last five years. More than 1,000 of the 1,600 current students at Berea are contributing to the college through the program. They have helped raise over \$100,000 since its inception. This program has received a national award through the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE), and been the subject of articles for the *Berea College Magazine*.

# DELIVERING RESULTS

## JULIE BUSCH TUCKER '87



Julie has held a variety of positions in her marketing career with companies such as Jay Walter Thompson, The New York Times, and Ernst and Young. She graduated from the University of Illinois in 1991 and went on to receive her MBA from DePaul University. Julie married her husband in 1996 and in 2000, they moved to London and remained there until 2012. They now reside in New York with their three children. Julie now works for the Associated Press as the Global Marketing Director. In this role, Julie develops, integrates, and implements all marketing activities related to AP's strategic direction and positions, and she oversees the delivery of integrated marketing.

Julie is a big believer in single-sex education. "Girls benefit more from all-girls environments than boys do from all-boys environments." Julie said that Regina gives girls the opportunity to see who they are without the distraction of boys. In her free time, Julie enjoys running and training for the New York Marathon!

**Lauren Trylovich '02** is a trained paramedic and emergency phone operator, and has been working at the Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications for four years. Lauren was recently named a member of the 2020 Red Cross Class of Heroes and received



the 2020 Emergency Medical Assistance Award. Lauren instructed a caller on how to perform CPR and helped save a life. Thank you, Lauren!

### CLASS OF 2003

**Laurie Reynolds Scovotti '03** and her husband Matt welcomed Walter Robert Scovotti on June 9, 2020. He joins big brother George, 5, and big sister Emma, 3, who are thrilled to now outnumber their parents.



### CLASS OF 2004

**Katie Bak '04** and her husband Jason Guindon welcomed George Robert Guindon on May 7, 2020. Georgie is their first child, and they live in Glenview with their two dogs, Bubba and Ellie.

### CLASS OF 2005

**Molly Fox Larimer '05** and her husband Adam welcomed Nora Jane Larimer to the family last August. Big sister Louise is happy to have a new best bud. Molly works at Commonwealth McCann as an Account Supervisor in the Chevrolet business.

*"My favorite memory is when the class of 2005 (juniors at the time) defeated the seniors in the Gnimocemoh wall decorating contest."*



### CLASS OF 2006

**Emily Forester '06** recently relocated to New York City when she joined American Express in October 2018. Emily works as a Program Manager on the Digital Experiences & Platforms team, working across Product and Strategy teams to deliver unified experiences for Amex's commercial customers. Emily's role allows her to work cross-functionally across the organization to connect the dots and build informed strategies to help customers of all sizes—from small business owners to Fortune 500 companies—grow their businesses. Prior to joining Amex, Emily completed her MBA at Georgetown University, where she held board positions for Graduate Women in Business and the Entrepreneurship Club.

Prior to attending business school, Emily worked in marketing at Chicago-based tech startups in the legal and college admissions industries. Aside from her MBA, Emily holds a BA in American Studies from the University of Notre Dame. In her free time, Emily explores her Brooklyn neighborhood with her husband Emile and young son Theo.



**Julie Kuczarski '06** has been a dialysis tech for the past four years. Julie received her real estate license in July 2019. She tested positive for antibodies for COVID-19 and donated her convalescent plasma at Vitalant.

*"My favorite memories of high school were going on Kairos and a trip to Spain during my senior year!"*

### CLASS OF 2007

**Grace Ansani '07** graduated from USC in 2011 and majored in public relations with a minor in Spanish and human rights. From a young age, Grace knew she wanted to join the Peace Corps. After graduation, she worked for a nonprofit for a year, before leaving for the Ukraine as a Peace Corps volunteer. One of her main focuses while working in Ukraine was on HIV/AIDS. She worked with local communities and organizations to put on events that focused on HIV/AIDS education, stigma-reduction, safe-practices, and testing. Grace became fascinated by the biology, pathophysiology, and epidemiology of HIV. While in Ukraine, she realized how so many communities desperately needed greater access to a health professional, which led her to pursue a nursing career. Grace graduated from University of Illinois at Chicago in 2017 with a Master's of Science in Nursing.

**Megan Nally Rieger '07** is beginning her tenth year of teaching in the Chicago Public Schools. She will be celebrating five years of teaching K-8 general music at Audubon Elementary School this school year—Go Hawks! She and her husband Kent recently celebrated their one-year wedding anniversary and purchased a home in the Lakeview neighborhood of Chicago, not far from her school!

**CLASS OF 2008**

**Paula Acuña, MA, CCC-SLP '08** launched her private practice, Ms. Paula, SLP, which provides effective, individualized speech therapy for diverse needs. Paula understands and responds to the unique challenges of individuals with speech, language, and feeding needs using a family-centered approach to intervention. She offers evaluations and therapy in English and Spanish. Typically, sessions occur in each client's home, but currently most appointments are being conducted via a HIPAA-compliant video conferencing platform. You can find more information about her practice at [www.mspaulaslp.com](http://www.mspaulaslp.com).



*"I remember four wonderful years on the tennis team. Each summer I would attend camp and tryouts, and each fall I would enjoy playing doubles and traveling around Chicagoland to different schools. If the coach ever got lost navigating new areas, I'd be his/her trusty navigator."*

**Annette Bochenek, Ph.D. '08** recently started a new position as Assistant Professor and Business Information Specialist at Purdue University.

*"I enjoyed participating in Regina's plays and musicals as well as writing for the Crown newspaper."*



**Kelly Grant '08** earned a Master of Science in Nursing at Rush University. She enjoys working night shift at Rush as an RN in the inpatient Oncology Unit. In October 2020, Kelly and her partner Kristen will be married in Milwaukee!



**Lauren Gutierrez '08** and her husband Mike welcomed a new addition to the family. Their first child, Brooke Elizabeth, was born on May 21, 2020. Lauren also celebrated her graduation from National Louis University with a Master's in Education - Reading Specialist Endorsement.



**Lauren Dixon Simon '08** graduated from Roseman University College of Dental Medicine in Utah in April 2020. After four years of skiing and hiking in the beautiful mountains out west, she is looking forward to heading back to the Midwest! Lauren has her sights set on Michigan next as she begins her pediatric



dental residency at University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. Last September, Lauren's dental school sweetheart, Zachary, proposed to her and her daughter, Isabella (age 10). With a cross-country move and wedding in August 2020, it was a busy and exciting year for the three of them. They look forward to beginning this next chapter of their lives together.

**CLASS OF 2009**

**Tressa Graehling Dobryzkowski '09** and her husband Adam welcomed Everleigh Grace Dobryzkowski into the world on January 19, 2020.



**REPORTING BREAKING NEWS**

**JULIE GOLDBERG UNRUH '87**

Julie is a familiar face around the Chicagoland area, appearing regularly on local news stations such as CLTV & WGN! At the young age of 22, after graduating from Indiana University, Julie accepted a position in the White House in George H. W. Bush's administration. She then returned to Chicago and worked at CLTV before being hired by WGN in 2001. Julie has appeared regularly on the popular WGN Morning Show and on the WGN News at Nine. She has covered human interest, politics, and breaking news, earning praise for her in-depth coverage of the political corruption trials of former Governor George Ryan and ex-Governor Rod Blagojevich. Since its launch in October 2015, Julie has been featured on the WGN News at Ten, bringing viewers unique and timely stories outside of the usual news of the day.

Julie credits Regina's single-sex environment and small class size for giving her the courage to raise her hand in class, try out for things, and talk to teachers. "It was a safe place and I felt comfortable growing under that roof. It was a place that I was willing to take some chances and sail. My parents encouraged me along the way and Regina set me up for being an ambitious person."

Julie currently resides on the North Shore with her husband and three children.



# Paying it Forward

FRANCES ROGOZ '03

Frances was a senior at MIT studying economics and math when she took a course that allowed her to visit Ghana in West Africa—and she has been a global citizen ever since!

Frances has worked at Genser Energy, an independent power producer, for the past 12 years. She came back to Chicago to attend the University of Chicago and earned her MBA from the Booth School of Business. Frances is married to Andre Olivier. They currently live in the United Kingdom, but spend lots of time in Ghana.

Frances shared that the Regina experience and environment helped her gain a good deal of confidence. Fourteen years of all-girls education helped her build strong bonds with her classmates. She describes these relations like family. “Regina allows you to be yourself and allows you to focus on the right things.” Her career is filled with more men than women, but Regina provided her the confidence to succeed in a male-dominated field.

Some of her favorite Regina memories were of **Carolyn Shepard '03**, who was known as “Carrie” to her friends and maintained a positive outlook even after being diagnosed with leukemia during her senior year. “Something funny happened every day,” shares Frances. “Carrie was a performer. One day she came into the Senior Lounge with a pair of purple pants on. Around Halloween, right after she was diagnosed, she chose to shave her hair off and painted her head like a Magic 8-Ball! Carrie was independent and did her own thing. She had that confidence from the very beginning of high school.”

Frances’ desire to give back and help Carolyn’s memory live on led her and her classmates to develop the Carrie Shepard Scholarship. That process made her reflect on how Regina impacted her and her friends. Frances would like to encourage her fellow alumnae to think about their time at Regina and how it helped their path, knowing that they then can pay it forward. “We all know that giving allows other girls to have the same experience.”



Marjorie Travnik '09 with her husband Connor



Quinn and Eamon Wischmeier

**Maeve Drohan Wischmeier '09**, her husband Ashton, and big brother Eamon welcomed Quinn Denver into the family on May 28, 2020.

## CLASS OF 2010

**Nicole Jaconetty '10** earned her BA (2014) and her MA (2015) from Fordham University. Nicole is now a Manager at Global Strategy Group, a leading public affairs firm and the largest Democratic polling firm in the country, where she conducts research for high-profile political clients, nonprofit organizations, and corporations. Nicole’s recent research for ESPN around the impact of the coronavirus on sports and fandom has been featured in the *New York Times* and on ESPN.com.

**Emily Svachula '10** married Joseph Schmidt on December 31, 2019. The couple celebrated their wedding with 23 Regina Girls in attendance, including alumnae, current students, and future Panthers. These ladies proved that “Regina Girls Can Dance.” (Photo on page 37.)

*“There are so many memorable moments from my time at Regina. From the dances, to the pep rallies, to the lunchroom—I enjoyed every minute of it. I built lifelong friendships at Regina, and I even had five Regina girls serve as bridesmaids in my wedding.”*

**Sidonia Rose Swarm '10** recently published *La Gringa*

—a novel about a Midwestern blonde who becomes the go-to operative for a Latin American gem smuggling operation. Sidonia drew on her Chicago roots and entrepreneurial and international experiences to weave the story of *La Gringa*. The novel is an ode to Miami—the city she endearingly refers to as “perfectly imperfect.” When she isn’t on a Caribbean or Mediterranean island, she’s living in Coconut Grove, Florida. *La Gringa* is her debut novel.



**Breanna Hollie-Hiatt '09** is currently the Director of Programs at a community-based nonprofit in Chicago working with youth and their families. In her free time, Breanna further engages in her passion for helping others with a private practice as a mental health therapist. She recently moved to Northwest Indiana with her husband and their two fur babies, Blueberry and Maisy (quarantine splurge), as well as their 22 fishy friends.

experiences navigating abuse, develop the tools needed to release limiting beliefs and fears and step into their full-power, and learn to use their experiences as fuel for that power, not an obstacle against it. She released her first book on May 9, 2020!



*“It is so difficult to choose just one memory. My entire experience at Regina is what created the foundations I needed to know who I truly am now. Regina created a home for me where I felt safe and empowered and excited to explore who I truly was, and I am so grateful for that.”*

**Marjorie Travnik '09** graduated with a Master of Science in Occupational Therapy and is currently practicing as a pediatric occupational therapist. Margie married Connor Heminger in August of 2020 with several Regina Girls by her side as bridesmaids!



Colleen Kelley '09, Molly Freund '09, Breanna Hollie-Hiatt '09, Elizabeth McCann '09

**Katie Maloney '09** started her own business and works as a trauma survivor coach. She works with individuals and couples who want to have a conversation about their



Emily Svachula '10 at her wedding with Regina classmates



**CLASS OF 2011**

**Taylor Regulski '11** graduated with a MBA with a focus in Sport Management from Florida Atlantic University in December 2019. She completed this program as a full-time student while working full-time at ESPN

Wide World of Sports as a photographer and Coordinator of Photography, and then as an Entertainment Manager at Walt Disney World water parks. Since graduation she has continued as a photographer and coordinator at ESPN, but now has a different role as a Disney Fine Art Photographer capturing photos for portrait sessions, weddings, conventions, and special events! Additionally, she does freelance photography for concerts and festivals. Additionally, she does freelance photography for concerts and festivals. You can find her online at [www.cameraladyphotography.com](http://www.cameraladyphotography.com)

**CLASS OF 2012**

**Serena Gobbi '12** is currently a Legislative Assistant for Congresswoman Norma Torres, who represents California's 35th Congressional District. Representative Torres is on the House Appropriations Committee, which oversees the federal government's budget. Serena advises the Congresswoman on a wide variety of issues, including defense, Veterans Affairs, transportation, housing, energy, water, the environment, trade, and voting rights. One of her recent projects for the Congresswoman focused on including an equity provision in H.R. 2, a large infrastructure bill that passed the House of Representatives this summer. The provision provided \$2 million per year in funding to a Transportation Equity Research Program at the Department of Transportation for the next five years. If the bill is signed into law by the President, the program, which has been dormant for years, will begin working to identify shortcomings in transportation access for low-income and minority communities. In addition, Serena completed her first graduate degree class at the U.S. Naval War College this spring, which she is attending in addition to working full time.



**CLASS OF 2016**

**Mary Berg '16** graduated from Tulane University with summa cum laude honors and as a member of Phi Beta Kappa, with departmental awards in both Political Economy and Spanish.



**Aileen Stanton '16** graduated from Marquette University and accepted a position with Target. She will be working as an Executive Team Lead in the Specialty Sales department and will be in charge of everything concerning beauty, fashion, and tech!



**Gianna Mae Tan '16** graduated from the University of Illinois at Chicago with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and a minor in global Asian studies. She was also inducted into the UIC Activities Honorary Society due to her leadership involvement in various on-campus organizations.

She helped plan and coordinate a Filipino-centered Resource Fair in the Midwest to provide resources to undocumented immigrants. As an intern with Save Our Schools Network, she planned a webinar to raise awareness about the effects of COVID-19 on people in the Philippines.

*"I will forever cherish the sociopolitical discussions we had during Mr. Apo's classes about systematic racism, sexism, homophobia, classism, and more. I learned so much and took it with me in college to be an advocate for the rights of marginalized groups."*

**CONGRATS TO THE 2020 ALUMNAE MEDALISTS**



**LEADERSHIP**  
**Carrie Rebora '77**



**SERVICE**  
**Barbara Kinatader Hoffman '64**



**YOUNG ALUMNA**  
**Katherine Kinnaird '08**

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# Remembering

## SISTER ANN ROMAYNE FALLON, OP REGINA DOMINICAN'S FIRST PRESIDENT



Mary Patricia Joan Fallon, who went by Joan until entering religious life, was born on August 29, 1928, in Detroit to Joseph and Anne (Gough) Fallon. She was educated by the Adrian Dominican Sisters at Precious Blood School. She attended nearby Immaculata High School, which was staffed by the Monroe Immaculate Heart of Mary Sisters. With the foundation given to her at home and the one laid by the Adrian Dominicans at Precious Blood, she felt called to become a sister at an early age. On June 23, 1946, two weeks after her high school graduation, she arrived in Adrian to begin her postulancy. Even at the young age of 17, she was "very certain that I had made the right choice," she wrote. "The call to religious life had come early and I was very happy." Joan took the name Ann after her mother and Romayne after a teacher who inspired her at Precious Blood.

S. Ann Romayne Fallon spent 56 years as an educator. Before coming to Regina Dominican, she taught at several schools in Florida and Illinois. In 1977, she was asked to become Principal of Regina Dominican. She served in this role until 1983, and then became the school's first President. She departed from Regina in 1988, when she was asked to become the Congregation's Treasurer. From there, she became the Associate Superintendent of the Archdiocesan school system of Detroit, as well as the Development Director and Director of Annual Giving for Dominican High School and Academy in Detroit. She returned to Regina as Interim President from 2000 to 2002, and then served as the Interim Director of the Weber Center in Adrian, Michigan. At almost 78 years of age, she and several other Sisters undertook ministries in Alaska at the request of the Archbishop of Anchorage. When she left Alaska after five years, writer Effie Calderola described her as having helped "change the face of Catholic school education in the Archdiocese of Anchorage."

S. Ann died at the Dominican Life Center on October 6, 2019, at age 91 and in her seventy-second year as an Adrian Dominican Sister. She is sorely missed by the Regina Dominican community and will always have a special place in Regina's history.

***"S. Ann was a woman of pure wisdom who was very creative and always open to new ideas. These traits made her an inspirational model to our girls. She was also an ambassador of Regina Dominican as she gathered pastors and principals on a regular basis for breakfast at Regina to promote the wonderful mission of the school. She was beloved by many and is truly missed."***

—S. Marion O'Connor, OP

***"For me and many others, S. Ann was a mentor and model of the virtues of Veritas and Caritas. She was savvy, steadfast, witty, kind, and humble—a great listener and a gentle advisor. I am forever grateful for her impact on my personal and professional life."***

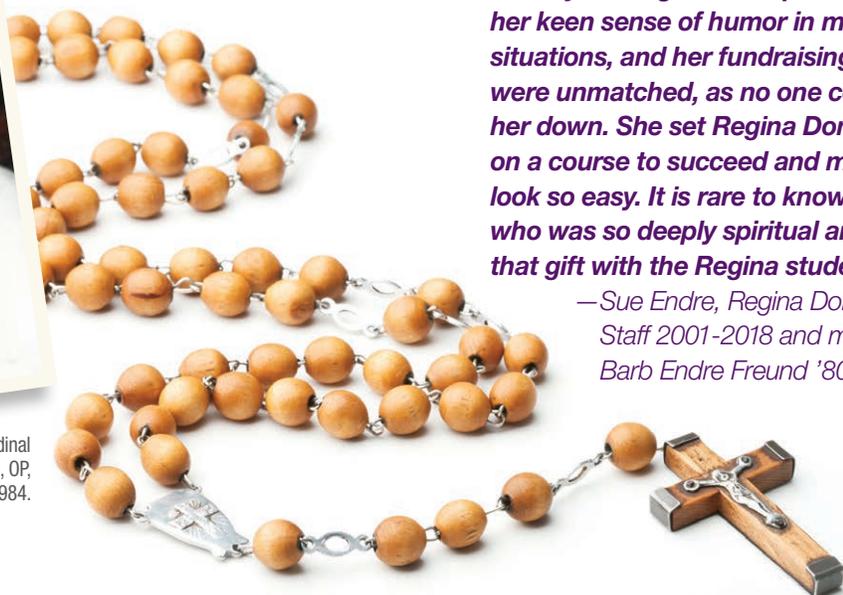
—Verna Alworth '77, Regina Dominican Assistant Principal

***"I had the honor and pleasure to know S. Ann for many years. I met her as a parent volunteer which transferred into a lovely lifelong friendship. I witnessed her keen sense of humor in many situations, and her fundraising skills were unmatched, as no one could turn her down. She set Regina Dominican on a course to succeed and made it look so easy. It is rare to know someone who was so deeply spiritual and shared that gift with the Regina students."***

—Sue Endre, Regina Dominican Staff 2001-2018 and mother of Barb Endre Freund '80



S. Marie Arthur, OP, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin, and S. Ann Romayne Fallon, OP, at the Regina Dominican 25th Jubilee Celebration in 1984.



**Alumnae, family, and friends are invited to the annual Alumnae Remembrance Mass followed by a candle lighting ceremony on Sunday, November 15, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. Following the Mass a Book of Remembrance will be placed in the chapel for the month of November.**

**Send prayer requests to [emccann@rdpanthers.org](mailto:emccann@rdpanthers.org). All requests will be brought before the Blessed Sacrament during Adoration at the Regina Dominican chapel.**

*Notices below are from July 2019 - June 2020.*

## ALUMNAE

**Patricia Moore Brick '64**

**Mary Pat Bolin Casper '69**, sister of Colleen Bolin Rothing '76 and Eileen Bolin Murphy '79

**Laurey Kathleen Johnson Cline '83**

**Elizabeth (Beth) Ann Denicolo '88**

**Pamela Strandberg Foster '69**

**Cathy Eardley Foust '64**, sister of Cynthia Eardley Pacholick '66 and Bette Eardley Mueller '70

**Jane McPartland Hammer '79**

**Carole Herbster '75**, sister of Barbara Herbster Van Husen '68

**Sheila Brannen Ignas '86**, sister of Caroline Brannen Drake '87 and the late Maureen Brannen '83

**Kasey McLaughlin '05**

**Patricia A. Pater '78**, sister of Terese Pater Schultz '75 and Mary Pater Serio '77

**Mary Gilbert Pomerantz '73**

**Joyce Sacha '72**, sister of Donna Sacha Imirie '70

**Maureen Stanton Serb '71**, sister of Mary Jean Stanton Moriarty '77, Ellen Stanton Schneider '80, the late Kathleen (Kathy) Stanton Nolan '72, and the late Patricia (Patsy) Stanton Denten '74. Sister-in-law to Beth Baisley Stanton '80 and aunt to Erin Nolan Tella '98, Elizabeth Nolan '02, Meghan Moriarty '02, and Aileen Stanton '16

**Marcia Madgey Silvestri '64**, sister of Alice Madgey Lombardo '61, Joan Madgey Ranshoff '63, Barbara Madgey Sweeny '66, Margaret Madgey Koehn '68, and Dorothy Madgey Laughlin '70

**Peggy (Mary Peg) Marsh Stall '66**

**Marilyn Wieland Swiantek '78**

**Margaret (Maggie) Joan Walter '76**, sister of Patricia Walter '62, Rita Walter '67, Veronica Walter '77, and Eileen Walter '78, and aunt of Katherine Fligelman Vanadia '93, Sarah Fligelman '94, Kristen Fligelman Licciardi '96, and Rebecca Fligelman Garelli '99

## FAMILY MEMBERS

**Eugene G. (Gene) Bassing**, husband of Karen Gill Bassing '64

**Joan Brunner**, mother of Anne Marie Brunner '76

**Jeremy Brunner**, brother of Anne Marie Brunner '76

**Frances L Cannizzaro**, mother of Maria Cannizzaro Alderson '74

**Mary Cohn**, mother of Elizabeth (Kate) Cohn '96

**Michele Lucille Comella**, mother of Jessica Fagin Gade '03

**Robert Brendan Connolly**, father of Linda Connolly Fahrenbach '74

**Marilyn B. Considine**, mother of Laura Considine Hehemann '81 and Eileen Considine Boggins '84

**Jeanne Catherine Crowe**, mother of Catherine Crowe Habitzel '72, Victoria Crowe O'Neill '75, and Sharon Crowe '76

**Joseph Doherty**, father of Lisa Doherty '79 and Jennifer Doherty '81

**Kathleen F. "Teen" Farrell**, former Board member, mother of Maura Farrell '88, Regina Dominican Board Chair, and Delia Farrell Marshall '96

**Eleanor E. Filipek**, mother of former faculty member Mary Ellen Scandale (French Department 1975-2018)

**Lorraine Geist**, mother of Margaret Geist Fox '73 and Patricia Geist Feeley '81

**Louis Gonzales**, husband of Laura McManus Gonzales '83

**Rita Rae Harte**, mother of Eileen Harte '80 and mother-in-law of Anne Maginot Harte '81

**Eileen Hoekstra**, sister of Kathy Hicks Quinn '89

**Michael Hurley**, son of Ellen McGregor Hurley '69

**Daniel Nicholas Kadjan**, father of Danielle Kadjan Smith '91 and father-in-law of Catalina Ruiz Kadjan '88

**Trudy Short Kelly**, mother of Colleen Kelly Frasure '78

**Michael Kertez**, husband of Shari Hanhardt Kertez '67

**Matilda Kimovec, MD**, mother of Maria Kimovec Grutsch, MD '73 and Irene Kimovec Szuba, MD, JD '75

**Honorable Judge Dorothy Kirie Kinnaird**, mother of Katherine Kinnaird '08

**Virginia Lamer Mayer**, mother of Elizabeth Lamer Mayer Spink '76, Therese Lamer Mayer Conline '78, Nancy Lamer Mayer Landis '79, and Kristine and Kathryn Lamer Mayer '82

**Margery Wild Livingston**, mother of Liz Livingston Howard '82

**Ruth Frances Lyons**, mother of Rachel Lyons Cooper '83 and the late Alexandra Lyons Cooney '78

**James J. Maloney**, father of Patti Maloney '75 and the late Peggy Maloney Coha '74

**Joan M. Mas**, mother of Jayne Mas '80

**Jeanne M. McDonagh**, mother of Maureen McDonagh '69

**John A. Nickele**, husband of Mary Astor Gomez '78 and father of Katherine Nickele '08

**Gerald Ottesen**, father of Amy Ottesen Reichle '93

**Robert L. Parkinson Jr.**, father of Erin Parkinson Stober '00 and Becky Parkinson '03. Robert and his wife Betty were awarded the Regina Caeli award in 2015 for their support of Regina Dominican.

**Peter Sakas, DVM**, father of Courtney Sakas, MD '08

**Carol Sbarboro**, mother of Jennifer Sbarboro '06

**George J. Schiro**, father of Jo Marie Schiro Lang '84

**James E. Spiotto**, brother of Joan Spiotto Lynch '68

**Dave Teel**, husband of Debbie Cannata Teel '78

**Sheila F. Tomaszewski**, mother of Laura Tomaszewski Wickert '05, Kara Tomaszewski '10, Meghan Tomaszewski Gehrmann '12, and Anna Tomaszewski '14

**Robert (Bob) Tracey**, father of Paula Tracey Graller '73, Raelyn Tracey Jetter '74, and Valerie Tracey '77

**Mark J. Vallortigara**, husband of Deb Arado Vallortigara '77

**Sharon Ann Wall**, mother of Virginia Wall Robertson '68, Mariann Wall Majerus '77, and Nancy Wall Juckett '81

**Grace G Weir**, mother of Maribeth Weir Battista '79

**Phillip J. Wieland**, father of Suzanne Wieland Nelson '72, the late Marilyn Wieland Swianek '78, and Kathleen Wieland DiClemente '83, and stepfather to Raleigh Sadlier '84

**Mary Jill Wolf**, mother of Caroline Wolf Mansour '89 and Katharine Wolf Dunn '94

## FORMER FACULTY

**Arlene Scott Anthony**, former faculty and mother of Julie Anthony Grayhack '78 and the late Mary Carol Anthony O'Brien '77

**S. Sarah Cavanaugh, OP**, formerly known as S. Michael Henry Cavanaugh. Sister served as Principal of Regina Dominican from 1983-1989.

**S. Ann Romayne Fallon, OP**, served at Regina Dominican for thirteen years—six years as Principal from 1977-1983 and seven years as President from 1983-1988 and 2000-2002

**S. Geneve Moran, BVM**, former faculty

**Kathy Rzany**, Principal of Regina Dominican from 2002-2011 and devoted champion of Catholic education

*We apologize for any omissions as we transitioned through the stay-at-home order. Please contact Elizabeth McCann '09 at [emccann@rdpanthers.org](mailto:emccann@rdpanthers.org) to add your loved one for our Remembrance Mass.*



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