



# ST. PAUL HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNAE NEWSLETTER



October 2011

## CATHOLIC SISTERS IN AMERICA

Sacramento will be the last venue for an outstanding three-year traveling exhibit called **“Women & Spirit: Catholic Sisters in America,”** sponsored by the Leadership Conference of Women Religious (LCWR) and the Smithsonian Museums. A consortium of American religious women began almost eight years ago to dream and plan a way to share the incredible contribution of Catholic Sisters to education, health care, and social work in American life. One of the planning committee was Sister Helen Garvey, BVM, former Congregation President. Her energy and commitment to this project have been remarkable.

*“From the time the Ursulines arrived in New Orleans in 1727 up to today, women religious have made an incalculable contribution to this nation. Running schools, hospitals and orphanages from America’s earliest days, these women helped foster a culture of social service that has permeated our society. Over the centuries these courageous women overcame many obstacles--both physical and cultural--to bring their civilizing and caring influence to every corner of the country. Understanding and celebrating the history of women religious is essential to understanding and celebrating the history of America.”*—Cokie Roberts, news analyst and author

*Women & Spirit* opened in May, 2009 in Cincinnati, then moved on to Dallas, then to the Smithsonian itself in Washington, DC at the beginning of 2010. Then it was presented in Cleveland and at Ellis Island/Statue of Liberty National Monument. From January through May of this year, it was at the National Mississippi River Museum in Dubuque, IA, and then moved to Mount St. Mary’s College in Los Angeles. It is now in South Bend, IN at Notre Dame University and St. Mary’s College. It will be viewed for the final time as a complete exhibit from January 24 through June 3, 2012 at the California Museum

DISCOVER A WORLD  
FEW HAVE SEEN, BUT  
MILLIONS HAVE SHARED

CATHOLIC SISTERS IN AMERICA

January 24, 2012 - June 3, 2012

The California Museum of History, Women  
and the Arts, Sacramento, California

WOMEN & Spirit

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of History, Women & the Arts in Sacramento.

The exhibit includes many artifacts loaned by various Congregations – including the following: a letter from President Jefferson to the Ursuline Sisters at the time of the Louisiana Purchase in 1803, assuring them that the US government would respect their right to retain their own property; the cap and bonnet worn by the BVMs in the 1840s; the collection of heartbreaking, handwritten notes pinned to infants who were left on the porch of the New York City Foundling Hospital; the photos and account of the tragic loss of life and property of an entire beach-front orphanage destroyed by a hurricane which devastated Galveston, TX in 1900; immigration documents of Sisters who emigrated from all parts of Europe in the 19<sup>th</sup> century; photos and accounts of the Catholic Sisters who marched in Selma, AL with Martin Luther King, Jr.

In addition to the national exhibit, there will be a section showcasing the contributions of almost 40 congregations in California, including the BVMs. An entire website of the exhibit can be found at [www.womenandspirit.org](http://www.womenandspirit.org)

**The SPHS Alumnae are organizing a bus trip from San Francisco to view the exhibit on Saturday, March 10, 2012.** More details will be available at the November luncheon and posted on the SPHS Alumnae website: [www.sphsalumnae.org](http://www.sphsalumnae.org) If you are interested in going on this wonderful trip, please email [sphsalumnae@yahoo.com](mailto:sphsalumnae@yahoo.com) or write to SPHS Alumnae, 221 Valley St, San Francisco, CA 94131 **by January 10, 2012.** You will be contacted with specific information about price, times, etc., and how to confirm your reservation.

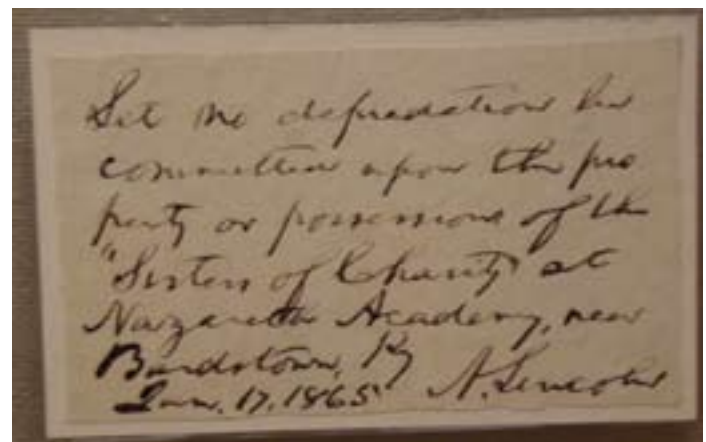
### AN INVITATION!

There is a wonderful hymn “Go, Make A Difference!” and the second line is “We can make a difference.” As you travel along in your car or even walk down the street, you often see those who are without. You are invited to do something as an individual that will make a great difference to many who are in need. You are invited to choose a date once a month during the fall of this year and prepare a bag lunch for someone who is homeless. If each of us made a brown bag lunch once a month and took it along to give away, we could feed a whole lot of folks. A few tips: don’t include apples, because most of the homeless don’t have the teeth to eat them. Try softer fruits, pudding cups, fruit cups, sodas, juices, sandwiches, cookies, chips, hard boiled eggs, granola bars, etc. We can be the Anonymous Lunch Ladies!

Some items from the exhibit **Women & Spirit: Catholic Sisters in America.**



The white cap and black bonnet worn by Sisters of Charity, BVM in Philadelphia in the mid-19th century. Facing anti-immigrant neighbors, the sisters avoided “nun-like clothing.”



A handwritten note from President Lincoln to the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth (KY) in 1865:

*Let no depredation be committed upon the property or possessions of the “Sisters of Charity” at Nazareth Academy, near Bardstown, Ky  
Jan. 17, 1865 A. Lincoln*



## LOST ... and HOPING TO FIND

Do you know the whereabouts of those listed below?  
If you have any contact information, please send via  
email to [sphsalumnae@yahoo.com](mailto:sphsalumnae@yahoo.com)

Class of 1960

Sheila McCafferty

Class of 1965

Sylvia Emilia Delgado

Helene Christiane Lucchini

Class of 1967

Melva Elizabeth Lopez Cox

Danielle Bernadette Perez

Class of 1969

Jayne Claire McCarthy

Class of 1992

Claudia Jauregui



A copy of a laser cut-out of a panda, brought to Sr. Maureen from China by one of our families.

An archival photo of SPHS students from the late 1920s, taken by the side door to the church. Front, 4th from left is Sr. Rose Gallagher, BVM and 2nd from right is Sr. Rita Rose (Margaret Rose "Agnes") Coleman, BVM. Can you identify anyone else?





### THE PARTY LINE

*[Ed. Note: Interesting news and tidbits about alums, their families, endeavors, moves, work, etc. will appear here. Births and deaths will continue to be gathered into the traditional "ALUMNAE NEWS." Contact the Alumnae with items for publication.]*

**Correction:** Sister Rose Martin, OP '42 wrote recently to correct an item she noted in the October 2004 Newsletter which had indicated that the parents of Rose Carrick Kraus '42 and Fern Carrick Niderost '42 (dec) had purchased the Star Bakery, located at the corner of Church and 29<sup>th</sup> Streets. "My parents, Mr. & Mrs. Cyril Martin, bought the Star Bakery when I was (almost) born in 1924." After years of operation as a Noe Valley landmark, in the past decade that space has been a Curves and is now GetzWell Pediatrics, but the prominent red and white sign for Star Bakery remains. Thank you for setting history straight.

**Lorraine B. O'Neill Thomas '47** was honored by a donation to the Fundraiser made by her husband, Ed Thomas. He wrote that Lorraine is in the early stages of dementia and hoped that some of her classmates would write to her. Please contact the Alumnae Association for her address.

**Marian Hannan '73** was named Editor-in-Chief for a large monthly medical journal, *Arthritis Care & Research*, which contains medical articles related to new treatments or understanding of the many types of arthritis. "I am excited," she writes. "Now I not only get to write about my research, but I can also contribute to getting the important information on which others are working."

**Cheryl Meador Rathkamp '76** has lived with her husband Barry in Peoria, Arizona since 1990. They have two daughters (Michelle Ann, 29, graduate of UofA Tucson, and ASU College of Law, and Maureen Margaret, 24, graduate of ASU. Cheryl has worked for the same company since moving to AZ, but it has been sold four times. She is the Financial Services Manager (Credit & Collection). Scrapbooking has engaged her for the past six years. She was wearing her SPHS ring the day she wrote to tell us this and added, "Go, Pandas!"

**Alma Dolores Canizales '78** is married, has a 13-year-

old son, and lives in San Diego. Since 2003, she has been the Director of Community and Government Relations at Loyola Marymount in Los Angeles.

**Rose Velasco Parshall '81** has worked in nursing at Kaiser Permanente San Francisco for over 20 years. She says her current assignment in the Ambulatory Surgery Unit is the best ever. "I get to comfort and reassure people who come for out-patient surgery. They can walk and talk and are mentally competent, and they think I am wonderful with the TLC that I can provide."

**Fidelia Kwok '84** visited San Francisco in July with her 13-year old daughter, Constance. (See photo below.) They live in Hong Kong and came to explore opportunities for her to attend high school in the US next year. They met with Sr. Maureen O'Brien and Sr. Karen Conover at St. Paul Church and marveled at the beauty of the windows which Fidelia said she had never noticed at a student. She also visited **Audrey Konkle Villyard '84** who had been a good friend when she arrived two months late for junior year, due to visa problems.



### PRAYER REQUESTS

**Carol Gillespie Duenas '63** had a total left shoulder replacement in August.

**Rev. Michael Kotlanger, SJ**, son of Margaret Clifford Kotlanger '42, brother of Patti Kotlanger Lazzaretto '67 and Marianne Kotlanger Booth '73, is battling cancer.

**Mary Ramirez '54** had a very serious stroke in July and remains hospitalized.

## REUNIONS



### CURVES

In the last issue, I asked if there were SPHS Alumnae who are participants in the popular CURVES for Women, to what club they belong, and how many workouts they've logged. Here are the reported results. There are surely other members out there!

**Margaret Bermingham '55**, Treat Blvd, Concord; 600 workouts (as of 7/20/11)

**Sr Karen Conover, BVM - Faculty**, Twin Peaks, SF; 826 workouts (as of 8/4/11 – her 7<sup>th</sup> anniversary)

**Jann Ortega Phillips '60**, Twin Peaks, SF; 1200 workouts by Sept 2011

**Jaymi Phillips '91**, Twin Peaks, SF

**Carol Gillespie Duenas '63**, Westborough, So SF; 415 workouts (as of 8/1/11)

**Betty Scanlon Sammon '43**, Sonoma; 802 workouts

**Mary Anne Perry Brener '61**, Castro Valley; 1185 workouts (as of 8/4/11)

**Rose Velasco Parshall '81**, Twin Peaks, SF; 380 workouts (as of 8/4/11)

**Carol Velasco '85**; Twin Peaks, SF; 131 workouts (as of 8/4/11)



*A blessed  
Thanksgiving  
to you and  
your family.*

**Class of 1964** St. Paul's High School Class of 1964 and St. Paul's Grammar School Class of 1960 are having a big 65<sup>th</sup> birthday party on Saturday, October 22, 2011. They will gather at the United Irish Cultural Center, 2700 45<sup>th</sup> Ave, San Francisco, from 6:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight. There will be a no-host bar and a buffet dinner, with music provided by Broadway Joe & Anita from The Original KPIX Dance Party. The contact person is Liz Hinds Hannan who can be reached at lizhannan3@yahoo.com

**Class of 1967** members are asked to send contact information for a 45th reunion/get together in 2012 to Madeline Streeter at madelinestreeter@aol.com

**Class of 1971** A reunion is planned for the Class of 1971, to include the classes from their little sisters (1974) through their big sisters (1968), as well as any wonderful teachers from that era. The event will be held November 4, 2011 at the Oceano Hotel and Spa in Princeton, CA. There are beautiful accommodations at this hotel, but several more modestly priced motels are in close proximity. If you are interested in attending, please contact Nancy Humbel and Jan Dempsey at muddycowgirl@coastside.net

**Class of 1972** Next year is their 40th anniversary. Planners Annie Wing and Petrita Garzona say, "Let's make it memorable by planning the celebration now." If you are interested in forming and participating in a 40th Reunion Committee, please contact Petrita Garzona Lipkin at Petrita@aol.com

**Class of 1982** Alicia Aguilar Loube and Ruby Navarro MacDonald are organizing a 30th reunion for their class, tentatively scheduled for April or May, 2012. If anyone is interested in the planning or would like to attend, please contact either Alicia Aguilar Loube at dloube@comcast.net or 707-544-1305 or Ruby Navarro MacDonald at rubymascd@aol.com or 415-333-8568.

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"Along with many Paulites, I enjoy reading the newsletter and, from a distance, playing catch-up with many friends and families, some current and many from long ago. The newsletter does a wonderful job of capturing the spirit of our community and 'spreading the love.' I very much appreciate the effort! Thanks for all that you do."

- Marian Hannan '73

May They Rest in Peace:

**Alumnae Members:** ... **Mary Ingersoll Schroeder '55**, sister-in-law of Charlotte Charbonneau '55 and Mary Charbonneau '56, aunt of Mary Hinojosa Vanderzwan '73, on 7/12/11; ... **June (Dolores) Dapelo Gunther '45**, mother of Sharon Gunther Burleson '65, on 7/15/11; ... **Joan Gibson Strong '54**, daughter of Eleanor Cleary Gibson '30 (dec), sister of Shirley Gibson Sutton '53 (dec), Geri Gibson Roy '58, Carol Gibson Holzhauser '63, and Maryrae Gibson '71, on 7/17/11; ... **Mary Patricia Kelly Johnson '52**, on 7/25/11; ... **Charlene Hoffman Martin '66**, on 7/26/11; ... **Agnes McMahon Dalberg '39**, on 8/1/11; ... **Nancy Manley Miller '38**, sister of Rita Manley Bracciotti '38, on 8/4/11; ... **Heidi Flecklin Arseno '52**, on 8/6/11; ... **Ilse Sauerwald '59**, on 8/9/11; ... **Lilian Mascheroni '51**, on 8/13/11; ... **Kathleen Corry Banayat '76**, sister of Margaret Corry '72 (dec) and Maureen Corry '80, on 8/17/11; ... **Diane Coleman '62**, sister of Alice Coleman '62, in 8/11; ... **Mary Heaney Waldmann '43**, sister of Anne Heaney Dennis '39 (dec), Sr. M Gerarda (Margaret Mary) Heaney, BVM '41 (dec), and Frances Heaney Carberry '44 (dec), aunt of Patricia Dennis Lanthier '64, Geralynn Dennis Martinez '71, Anne Marie Guiney Olson '66, Noreen Guiney Gllman '68, Carole Guiney Edwards '73, and Jayne Guiney Vitorelo '76, on 8/31/11; ... **Eartha Cook Aragon '89**, on 9/12/11

**Extended Family:** ... **Mel Nelson**, husband of Judy Cain Nelson '58, in 3/11; ... **Mark Lucas**, son of Barbara Morien Lucas '52, on 7/3/11; ... **Francis (Frank) Mascheroni**, brother of Lilian Mascheroni '51 (dec), on 7/4/11; ... **Laura Powers**, mother of Gail Powers Sacco '58 and Kathleen Powers Nevin '61, on 7/6/11; ... **Gregory Camillo**, son of Elizabeth (Bette) Corona Anderson '51, on 7/9/11; ... **Sclavo Di Vita**, husband of Betty Caramucci Di Vita '53, on 7/29/11; ... **Emile J. Chapot, Sr.**, father of Juanita Chapot Collins '72, on 7/30/11; ... **Emilio Garzona**, father of Petrita Garzona Lipkin '72 and Gina Garzona Nave '76, on 8/17/11; ... **Helen McKenna**, mother of Sr. Anne Marie McKenna, BVM '65, Mary McKenna Shannon '72, Sheila McKenna Kruse '73, and Katie McKenna '78, on 9/12/11; ... **Dell "Butch" Freeman**, husband of Robin McClean Freeman '68, on 9/12/11

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Please send information about birth of children, degrees earned, and death of fellow alums and immediate family members of alumnae so that we may pray for one another. It is also very helpful to indicate all immediate family members of the deceased who are alumnae of St. Paul High School (and year of graduation, if possible). This information and these connections are not always known unless we are informed. Send information to: SPHS Alumnae, 221 Valley St., San Francisco, CA 94131 or via email to <sphsalumnae@yahoo.com> Thank you.

**MASSES for ALUMNAE and  
BENEFACTORS, LIVING and  
DECEASED**

Oct 16	Sun	9:15 a.m.	Jan 16	Sun	5:00 p.m.
Nov 19	Sat	4:30 p.m.	Feb 17	Thu	8:30 a.m.
Dec 12	Mon	8:30 a.m.	Mar 20	Sun	10:45 a.m.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Thursday, Nov. 3 Alumnae Board Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Rectory

**Saturday, Nov. 5 Annual Mass and Luncheon**  
Mass at **11:00 a.m.** St. Paul Church  
Lunch follows in the Parish Hall  
**Class of 1962 Golden Belles**

**Thursday, Dec. 15 Candlelighting**  
7:00 p.m. St. Paul's Church

**Saturday, Jan. 7**  
**Mass** for Deceased Alumnae  
Little Christmas Pot Luck  
**12:00 noon**

**ALUMNAE CANDLELIGHTING**

The traditional annual Alumnae Candlelighting will take place Thursday, December 15, at 7:00 p.m. in St. Paul Church.

Invite family and friends, if you would like. We hope you will be able to join us for this lovely evening of song, prayer, and anticipation of Jesus' birth. Some groups have even made it an annual "class event."

The program will include familiar hymns and carols. If you read music, are choir material, and would like to come at 6:00 p.m., we'll again practice the "Hodie" and a couple of other special hymns. Just meet in the church.



**ANNUAL LUNCHEON REQUIRES RESERVATION**

The Alumnae Board has discussed the recurring problem of people showing up for the luncheon without having made and paid for reservations by the due date.

This creates embarrassment and has even caused the caterer to run out of food.

**Please note:** In order to give the caterer an accurate count and to insure that sufficient seating is set up for everyone, **RESERVATIONS AND PRE-PAYMENT ARE REQUIRED** and should be **POST MARKED BY OCTOBER 20th.** **We regret that WALK-INS cannot be accommodated.**

**The Alumnae appreciate your cooperation, as this helps the planning committee to make this a special event for the Golden Belles and for all the attendees.**

The Alumnae Board also regrets an increase of cost to \$40 (the first in several years), but this price includes lunch, tax, gratuity, rental of tables and linens, some beverages, and decorations.

**••ANNUAL MASS & LUNCHEON RESERVATION••**

Saturday, November 5, 2011 •• 11:00 a.m. Mass - Luncheon follows

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class of \_\_\_\_\_  
First Maiden Married

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
*(only if different from reverse)* Street address, City, State, ZIP

email \_\_\_\_\_

**FAMILY STYLE LUNCHEON..... \$ 40.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

- Green Salad, with raspberry vinaigrette and Ranch dressing
- Chicken Picatta
- Angel Hair Pasta with Tomato and Basil
- Seasonal Grilled Vegetables
- Rolls & butter
- Wine, Coffee, and Tea
- Assorted Gourmet Dessert Bars: Lemon, Raspberry, Apple Strudel



**DUES (2011-12) .....\$ 15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**TOTAL enclosed ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**NOTE: ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED. WALK-INS cannot be ACCEPTED**

We MUST have an accurate pre-count for the caterer and for those setting up!

Make check payable to: St. Paul HS Alumnae Association  
221 Valley St., San Francisco, CA 94131

**PLEASE POSTMARK NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2011**  
**MUST BE RECEIVED by MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2011 TO SECURE A RESERVATION.**

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And you can also send a message via [sphsalumnae@yahoo.com](mailto:sphsalumnae@yahoo.com) which will reach the Newsletter Editor.

And don't forget to visit our **ALUMNAE WEBSITE** at [www.sphsalumnae.org](http://www.sphsalumnae.org) for all pertinent items for the St. Paul High School Alumnae Association.

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- Deadline for submission of articles or information is the first day of March, July, and October.

• Editor: Sr. Karen Conover, BVM

## ANNUAL DUES . . . . . . A LITTLE MONEY FOR A LOT OF CONNECTION!

Annual dues, a mere \$15 per year, help defray the cost of printing and mailing the Newsletter. Each of three editions costs about \$3,600 (for printing and stamps).

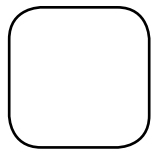
Please know that each person's contribution is valuable in keeping the Spirit of St. Paul's alive!

**2011-2012 Annual Alumnae Dues  
of \$15.00 are payable now.**

**Please make checks payable to  
SPHS Alumnae Association.**

You may include dues with your Luncheon Reservation – see p. 7. Thank you!

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### RESERVATION FORM ENCLOSED

**Annual Mass and Luncheon**

**Saturday, November 5  
11:00 a.m.**

**Golden Belles of  
Class of 1962 Honorees**

