

2009 All Class Reunion

The first *ALL CLASS* Maria Alumnae Reunion was held this year at the Oakbrook Drury Lane on May 2nd. Thank you to everyone who came out to the banquet and made it such a fun, carefree event. Any time Maria women gather, reconnect, and share, the school community grows stronger. The reunion featured classes ending in "4" and "9", but because of the "All Class" invitation, many different eras were represented. President Wendy Lynn was on hand to welcome the alumnae guests and provided an update and vision for the school. The Classes of 1974 and 1979 met challenges they set for themselves with donations to the Maria Scholarship Fund. Thank you all for your donations and support!



Class of 1954 gather around their class yearbook.



Every class had stories to share!

Pennsylvania/New Jersey Alumnae Reunion

A group of East Coast Maria alumnae spent a delightful March afternoon at the home of Felicia Chwasz Storb '68 in Warrington, Pennsylvania. The women were treated to light snacks which Felicia had prepared – healthy brownies, flavored coffee, tea, grapes, cheese, and crackers, along with the delicious chocolate chip cookies of Mary Fornek '80.

The informal and informative conversation included an update of Maria today by Sister Margaret Zalot, President Emerita. Sister Margaret shared recent recruiting brochures and newspaper clippings.

Since both Mary and Felicia are nurses, they were especially interested in learning about Maria's new Health and Science Curriculum set to begin this Fall. Mary has a leadership position at Temple University Hospital and Felicia teaches nurses, supervises clinicals, and works part-time as a home health nurse for new moms and babies.

Dolores Fischer Hults '62 and Sister Lorraine Therese Siminas, SSC '52 were also on hand to share high school memories, to hear about the accomplishments of Maria's current students, and learn of the various ways they can support Maria and its mission.



Maria Alumnae from Pennsylvania and New Jersey got together this Spring at the home of Felicia Chwasz Storb '68 (second from left.) Shown (from left) are Sister Lorraine Therese Siminas '52, Felicia, Sister Margaret Zalot, Mary Fornek '80, and Dolores Fischer Hults '62. The photo was taken by Kelly Depcik, daughter of Dolores Hults.

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TO DISCUSS HOW YOU CAN BE A PART OF
A MARIA ALUMNAE REUNION IN YOUR AREA!**

Maria Junior Wins Sheriff's Youth Service Award



Jennifer Rodriguez

At Maria, Rodriguez has been inducted as parliamentarian of the National Honor Society for 2009-2010 and is vice president of the Book Club. She is also an editor and photographer for the student newspaper and has won writing and photography awards.

Maria High School junior Jennifer Rodriguez, of Chatham, was awarded the 21st Annual Sheriff's Youth Service Medal of Honor for her volunteer service. Students in grades nine through twelve throughout Cook County who contributed at least 100 hours of voluntary community service between September 1, 2007 and August 31, 2008 were eligible to apply for this outstanding honor.

Rodriguez was among 322 teens who received a Medal of Honor at the Cook County Sheriff's Youth Service Awards Ceremony at McCormick Place. Rodriguez earned her medal by doing volunteer service on a weekly basis in the Medical Records Department of Holy Cross Hospital.

Maria Seniors Learn about DUI Consequences

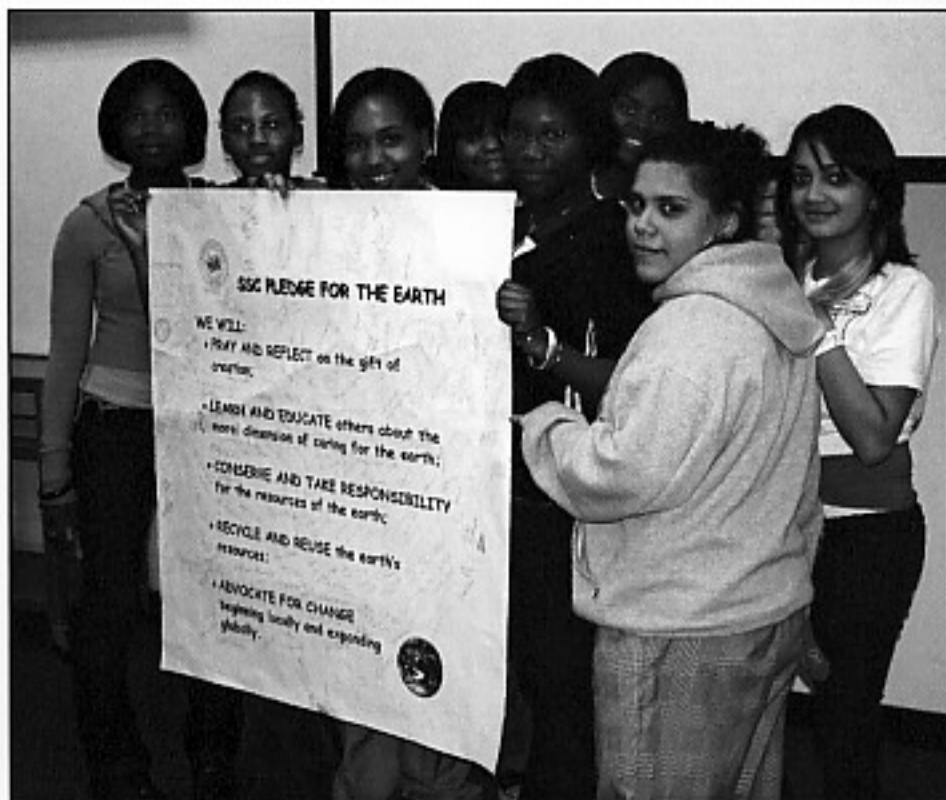
The Maria Senior Class recently had the opportunity to learn about the dangers and consequences of driving under the influence by participating in Cook County Sheriff Thomas Dart's DUI Prevention Program. The sheriff's office brought the 45-minute presentation to Maria's campus on April 23, 2009. Seniors watched a 3D film depicting the story of a DUI experience. They also discovered how difficult it is to function while intoxicated by wearing fatal vision goggles that simulate the effects of having a blood alcohol level of twice the legal limit. Sheriff's officers administered field sobriety tests and had students drive golf carts while experiencing what drunk driving would be like. Afterward, Senior Jessica Quintero commented, "The DUI program changed my perspective on reckless driving and showed how it truly is an important subject to consider. It also taught me to be extra careful on prom night."



Pictured taking a field sobriety test, under the direction of sheriff's officers holding fatal vision goggles are Cylia Reyes, Veronica Lopez, and Claudia Mondragon.

Maria Students Pledge to Respect and Care for the Earth

Maria High School students celebrated Earth Day on April 22 by pledging to respect and care for the Earth. After viewing the video "Our Sacred Earth," classes were invited to sign the SSC (Sisters of St. Casimir) Pledge for the Earth. Pictured along with the pledge that they signed are (from left) Victoria Henderson, Danielle Joshua, Tiffany Hill, Ashley Gatewood, Brenice Brown, Antonia Oates, Selene Cuevas, and Jasmine Perez.



SSC PLEDGE FOR THE EARTH

We will:

- **Pray and reflect** on the gift of creation
- **Learn and educate others** about the moral dimension of caring for the Earth
- **Conserve and take responsibility** for the resources for the Earth
- **Recycle and reuse** the Earth's resources
- **Advocate for change** beginning locally and expanding globally

The Sisters of St. Casimir, sponsors of Maria High School, made their public "Pledge for the Earth" on April 18, 2009 at the SSC Motherhouse after their monthly Mass for the beatification of Mother Maria Kaupas. The Sisters, their guests and Motherhouse employees were encouraged to sign the pledge.

Maria's Environmental Awareness Club, co-moderated by Ms. Stacion Dorrant-Balthazar and Mrs. Jasmin Rodriguez, is dedicated to keeping the environment clean. Members of the club collect recyclable paper after school every day and have worked to clean up the school grounds. They are also planting annuals and perennials around the campus as well as fir trees that were donated through a Sisters of St. Casimir connection with Lake Michigan Catholic Middle and High School in St. Joseph, Michigan. The St. Joseph school gave Maria 120 small trees, some of which were given to members of the school community.

Maria President Wendy Lynn earlier this year signed the Illinois Sustainable Schools Compact, which is a voluntary agreement by schools to promote environmental awareness and accomplish sustainability goals regarding their operations, buildings and grounds, and curriculum.

Alumna Profile

Meet Marilyn Moore '64

Marilyn Moore '64 is currently Associate Dean of the College of Education at Illinois State University. In August, she will become head of the University's Early Childhood Education Program. She recently reconnected with Maria and graciously consented to this interview.

What has led you to this new position? "I was at NIU for 10 years and taught as a non tenured employee while I worked on my doctorate. 20 years ago I was hired to be a tenure track professor at Illinois State University. I have an in-depth knowledge of education with a specialization in child development and early childhood education. The Dean of the College believed I was a good fit for the job, and asked me to step into the role."

How/why did you decide to become involved in the field of education? "There were really only three major choices for women back in the '60's - teacher, nurse or secretary, and I felt best suited for being a teacher. Funny story - I was given the most promising secretary's award at Maria because I could type 92 words a minute on a manual typewriter. I competed in a state contest in Illinois and came in second. The award was a tiny typewriter pin for my bolero uniform. However that was not the career I chose to pursue. I ended up teaching 1st grade and then going on to higher education."

You've been a strong proponent of urban education and social justice. Why have you chosen to champion these causes? "A person growing up in the '60's in Chicago saw so much more than you wanted to about unjust situations in terms of unfair treatment of minorities. I knew it was wrong then, and I know it is wrong now. I wanted to make sure that young children from urban settings got what they needed to succeed."

Please share one or two accomplishments in this area which have given you the most satisfaction. "I am the professor at Illinois State University that started the Chicago Urban Bus trips for students who came from areas of Illinois where there was no diversity. Back then, that was a big achievement. Luckily, I still am in charge of the bus trips, and we work with approximately 10 schools in CPS (Chicago Public Schools) on a regular basis. We used to bring 30 students, and we now send about 160 each semester. Many decide to teach in urban



Marilyn Moore is still smiling
45 years after graduating from Maria

areas after the visit and all admit that the trip changed some of their negative stereotypes. I have also won a research award for the Multicultural Mentorship Project (MMP) where our students at ISU are a mentor for a child in CPS. It has been very beneficial for all involved. Those that are mentored come to ISU every year too and shadow their college mentor."

Thinking of your high school experience at Maria, how was the decision to attend Maria High School made? "My friends were going to Maria and my parents could afford to send me. There was no choice in my family - my sisters and I would go to Maria. I was the oldest, so I led the way. I am glad I attended."

What courses did you enjoy most at Maria? "My favorites were Advanced Algebra (Sister Ludvica), History (Sister Timothy) and Chorus (Sr. Bernarda). My experience at Maria made me realize that if I wanted to go to college, I had to study hard."

In what school activities did you participate? "I tried out for basketball, and I was good at the broad jump in track and field. The father-daughter dance was great, and the musical productions - Oklahoma and Student Prince - were fun."

What special memory would you like to share? "My Maria friends and I have reminisced about the donuts with the chocolate sauce, the pizza, and the fries. We also loved our senior trip to the World's Fair in New York and Washington D.C. on the train."

What has been your proudest moment? "The birth of my four daughters and receiving my doctorate as a single parent."

And, what are you looking forward to? "I'm looking forward to spending more time reading, traveling and being with my four grandchildren."

What would you like to say to current Maria students and the Maria class of 2009? "Going to college and studying hard is the only way to succeed today. Also, please be involved as much as you can in social justice initiatives."

Thank you, Marilyn, for making a difference in the lives of your many students and others you have met and helped throughout your career.

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My Life in Nairobi, Kenya Africa

by Felicia (Felonk '78) Hughes

One afternoon in late October I was cooking dinner for my family when suddenly I heard an unfamiliar sound – the subtle sound of padded footsteps behind me. When I turned around, I was aghast to find a monkey perched on my kitchen counter top!!!

I chased him out and he got away with my newly ripened avocado. My kids came running when they heard the pitch of my voice change as I discovered the intruder/thief. He ran outside and climbed to a low branch in our tree. We followed the thief, and chastised him for taking the avocado without asking. He ignored us as he happily peeled and ate my perfectly ripe avocado. This was one of my first experiences as a missionary in Nairobi, Kenya Africa.



Maria alumna Felicia Felonk Hughes (second from left) is now a missionary in Kenya. She is standing with others in her ministry as they accept a donation from a group of U.S. girls. The money was raised for the purchase of bibles to be distributed to the women at Langata Women's Prison.

THE CALL

My husband and I, along with our three young children, moved to Nairobi, Kenya in July of 2007. My husband was invited to consider a position as a missionary assistant pastor. For over a year, we had raised financial support so we could move to Africa and help the churches here. We support the churches in a variety of ways. My husband oversees several ministries in the large church we attend. He has helped with prayer ministry, small group ministry, preaching and other administrative duties. He has also traveled to many other smaller churches in our denomination that are located all over Kenya. Some of these churches are in very remote villages. One time, I could hear cows mooing in the background when my husband called me by cell phone to let me know that he had arrived safely.

Though my role in the church has been different than my husband's, I am also involved in prayer ministry. I have done some non-professional counseling and have visited the Langata Women's Prison on a weekly basis. Our church provides a church service for the ladies where they worship, learn more about God, receive counseling and pray. During the Christmas season, we throw a party complete with soda and treats. The women love this event and we get to see a lot of smiling faces that are otherwise downcast.

THE FACE OF GOD

A part of my ministry happens on the street, too.

One day in April 2008, I met a man named Daniel. As we talked, I felt prompted to tell him how much God loved him and how God wanted more of a relationship with him. I explained to Daniel that he should talk to God about everything in his life. As I said these things, Daniel began to cry and hold his hand over his face. He then began to share with me and open up about his life. It was a precious time that I will ever forget. Since that time, Daniel reports that he has stopped drinking alcohol and is paying more attention to his health. He also attends a church regularly. I am so grateful that God used me to encourage Daniel that day.

CITY LIFE

Because Nairobi is the capital city in East Africa, we are able to access some

western culture. We have movie theaters, large grocery stores and upscale coffee shops. Actually, Kenya has some of the best tea and coffee in the world. But in many ways Nairobi is far from civilized. At night as we sit and watch movies, we can hear hyrax screeching in the trees outside. It is a hideous sound that makes westerners feel uneasy the first time they hear it. On occasion, a warthog comes up to our electric fence outside our kitchen door. Maybe he smells the food? In the morning, we frequently hear the monkeys on our roof scrambling for food that hangs in the trees.

Driving in Nairobi is a third world experience. Even though I drive a typical car, everything about it is different. The steering wheel is on the other side. The turning signal is also on the other side. Many times, I have accidentally turned on my wipers trying to signal as I make a turn. On top of all this, I also have to drive on the other side of the road. I never see a traffic light unless I am in the heart of the city. The only time I really need to slow down and stop is when cows, sheep or goats are blocking the road. They get so close to my car that my kids can touch them.

In many ways, Kenya is a great place to live. We have grown to love the Kenyan people. Many other missionaries also live in the Nairobi area. We are grateful for all the beautiful people God has placed on our path as we follow Him on this journey . . .

Class Reps Needed

We are in need of class representatives as indicated in the list included on these pages. Don't be shy. Even if there is a class rep listed for your graduation year, she will need your help in contacting fellow classmates to be engaged in events, prayer requests, fundraising, and reunions. The responsibility of the class representatives is to collaborate with alumnae officers to establish regular contact with classmates through print and electronic communications and/or planning class events in-between reunions. It would also be their responsibility to support the alumnae officers in identifying candidates for Committee chairs, to attend at least the annual class rep meeting (even if it is via conference call) and to attend as many events as geographically possible in support of the school and alumnae officers. Also, it would be asked that annually, contact would be made to the class via the class representative to solicit an annual class financial challenge in support of the school.

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Maria-SCA Reunions Span the Country

NEXT STOP: ARIZONA

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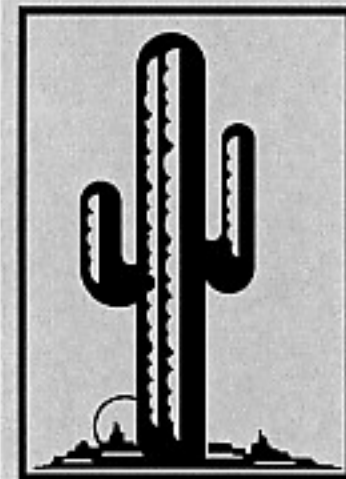
SOUTHWEST REUNION

*on
Sunday,
October 25, 2009
at the
Turron Country Club
in
Scottsdale, AZ*

If you are interested
in gathering fellow
classmates to join us, or
would like additional
information, contact:

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Mark your calendars!



Pulsebeats

Dorothy Huehl '42: Being of the Class of 1942, there are not many of us around anymore. I am retired from the Bank of America and have many friends from the Bank. I have two children and one great-grandbaby. I am enjoying retirement and would like to hear from anyone who remembers me.



Sister Kathleen Smith, SSC '59 was recently profiled in *The Herald-Palladium*, The Newspaper for Southwest Michigan. The May article was entitled, "The Art of Prayer." Sister Kathleen has taught art at Lake Michigan Catholic Middle and High School for the past six years. Before that, she had taught for 20 years at Maria.

Linda Nelson '69 retired from Histology in 1998. She now raises llamas and owns People of Good Fiber, a spinning/weaving/felting business. Check out www.peoplcofgoodfiber.com.

From Jill Trznadel '85: Great job on the new website! I work in the IT field and say kudos to the website developer. Keep up the good work. Why not add a "store" to the site. I think a lot of people would purchase shirts, etc., if given the option. *(ed. Terrific idea! Send us your thoughts as to the type of items Maria alumnae would be interested in purchasing and we'll see about providing that service!)*

Janice Flynn '86 feels that there were some very interesting reports on the goings on at MHS this year. Great job getting the communications out to the alumni!

Mayda del Valle '96 was recently invited to a White House poetry "jam" hosted by President Barack Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama. Mayda and eight other performers were invited for the evening which focused on poetry, music and the spoken word. After graduating from Maria, Mayda attended Williams College in Massachusetts. A nationally known poet and performer, Mayda now calls Los Angeles home. She is the daughter of Puerto Rican parents, a retired forklift operator and homemaker, and has two siblings who are Chicago police officers. The poem she read was written shortly before she received the call from the White House. It's about her grandmother, a woman named Segunda, who died in Puerto Rico when del Valle was a small child. We're so proud of you, Mayda! (See the poem that Mayda read at the White House, entitled "A faith like yours" on our website: www.mariahighschool.org.)

Dannielle Carroll '99 writes: Let me know if you ever have any events out here (in LA) – I'd love to attend or plan one. *(ed. Anyone else out there interested in getting together?)*



Sarahi Fajardo '08 has spent many hours in Maria's main office since she graduated. Studying psychology at St. Xavier University somehow didn't quite fill Sarahi's day, so she came back to her alma mater as a volunteer. She loves to keep busy and tells her friends that she feels blessed to be able to help Maria where she can still find many of her favorite people. Sarahi remarks, "This school opened many doors for me, and I can't forget about my school." What a great example of service, and giving back. Thank you, Sarahi!

Maria Women Featured in BIZ

Wendy Lynn, President of Maria High School, was profiled as the Alumni Spotlight in the Spring 2009 issue of BIZ, The Magazine for Alumni & Friends of the College of Business Administration at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Check out her story, "Pursuit of a Higher Calling."

Coincidentally, a photo of **Patricia Perez '96**, appeared on the next page. Patricia received her doctorate from the Illinois College of Optometry and now runs her own practice. Her story is part of the article, "The Center of Chicago's Small Business Community."

Read about these Maria women at www.uic.edu/cba. Click on the BIZ magazine pdf on the right hand side of the screen. Or, access the link from the Maria website: www.mariahighschool.org.

In Memory of Alumnae and Friends of St. Casimir Academy and Maria High School

ALUMNAE

Sr. Edwarda Burdulis, SSC '35
 Sophie Petkus '38,
aunt of Judy Yocius Lucas '69

Alice Rutkus Bavirsha '46

Patricia Parker Miller Landfear '54,
*cousin of Nancy Barrett '57 and
 Mary Lou Barrett '69*

Barbara Anne Pavlik Jurges '58

Virginia Pierro '58,
mother of Karen Pierro '84

Anne Parker Schwartz '59,
*cousin of Nancy Barrett '57 and
 Mary Lou Barrett '69*

Adrienne Alberts Johnson '60

Patricia Perry '60

Corinne Sciaky '61

Louise Cichocki Bullock '64

Marilyn Cichon '67

Gail Salakus Brady '70

Janet Kraus Pederson '70

Nancy Mahoney Tucholski '70
*sister of Cathy Mahoney Bartczak '71
 and Christine Mahoney Sutich '74*

Jeanne Slanger '79,
sister of Janet Slanger '82

Julie Ann Zvitkovits '89

Katherine Anderson Projansky '90

Dorothy Gorecki '95

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

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*father of Amy Bysak Jaracz '81 and Renee Bysak
 O'Connor '83*

Samuel DiVincenzo,
husband of Catherine Cibulskis DeVincenzo '50

Clemente B. Follosa Jr.,
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 Alonso '97, and Catherine Follosa '01*

Matilda Marcinkus,
mother of Regina Zeickus '57 and Ilona Mueller '70

Elizabeth Osadnick (a Maria "Marigold" mother),
*mother of Kathy Osadnick Feingold '67 and Marilyn
 Osadnick Schereck '72*

Sister Eva Revas, SSC,
sister of Sister Juline Revas '58

Bernice Stanton,
mother of Maureen Raza, MHS Board member

Ray Suelzer,
husband of Teresa Simkus Suelzer '48

Frank Sutka,
father of Theresa Sutka Huaman '62

Bernice Mary Szymanski,
*mother of Joan '59, Sandy '60, Diane '62, and
 Frances '70*

Arthur Velasquez, Maria High School benefactor,
*father of Carmen Velasquez '57, father-in-law of
 Joanne Velasquez '58, grandfather of Nannette
 Zander '79 and Renee Togher '80*



MARIA High School

Maria Women Make a Difference in the World

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

AUGUST 27, 2009

*Alumnae Association Meeting
Election of Alumnae Officers*

AUGUST 29, 2009

*SSC Founders' Day Celebration
Mass, Coffee, Raffles and more
9:30 AM – SSC Motherhouse*

SEPTEMBER 10, 2009

Alumnae Meeting

SEPTEMBER 15, 2009

1000 Women Campaign Kick-Off

OCTOBER 8, 2009

*Homecoming Halftime:
Superstars of the Past
Alumnae Meeting*

OCTOBER 25, 2009

Arizona Reunion

NOVEMBER 7, 2009

Mass and Breakfast

NOVEMBER 12, 2009

Alumnae Association Meeting

NOVEMBER 19, 2009

Open House

DECEMBER 10, 2009

*Open House
Alumnae Association Meeting*

JANUARY 7, 2010

Open House

JANUARY 16, 2010

*SnowBall
Oakbrook Drury Lane*

APRIL 17, 2010

*70th Anniversary of the death of
Mother Maria Kaupas,
Foundress of the Sisters of St. Casimir*

APRIL 24, 2010

All Class Reunion



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