

April 2018

President's Message

Mrs. Connie Yunyk (Scerbo '77)



Alleluia, Alleluia, Jesus is risen! Happy Easter to all! As Catholics we are called to continue celebrating the Easter Season for 50 days following Easter Sunday until Pentecost. May we continue to be grateful with hope-filled hearts for the gift of our risen Saviour.

Since the February newsletter our recruitment, admissions and re-registration process is now complete and I am delighted to report that we will once again meet our admissions target. Over the next few months, we will be facilitating several entrance tests and interviews for new students coming from Calgary, Hong Kong, Australia and the United Arab Emirates. There currently is a waiting list for Grades 9 and 11.

I hope you have had a chance to read *Leading, Learning and Legacy*, available on our

website. Officially launched in late January 2017 and now into its second year, it is the roadmap which will guide our community under the watchful guidance and stewardship of our School Board. This plan respects our SNJM roots, traditions and mission while setting a course to prepare our young women with the knowledge and skills required for their future — in spirit, mind and body! At the School Board Planning Day on March 10, board members openly shared their perspectives on challenges and threats facing the school and successes we have experienced this year. Developing a comprehensive communication plan to inform the community was unanimously identified as an actionable strategy. Intentional efforts are in the works to ensure clear and informative communication and updates are shared with all our collaborators by the end of the school year. Thank you School Board!

Our SMA Foundation Board has oversight over two projects at this time: Traffic Flow Study of the grounds and a Building Condition Assessment. In both cases, local firms have been hired to collect data and provide reports which will serve to inform our Boards on visioning and required capital associated

for next steps. Thank you Foundation Board!

Our Parents' Guild deserves praise for what they do for our students and school programs; I would like to highlight the installation of two large TV monitors strategically placed on the second floor by the School Office and in the north tower. These screens are used to post the daily bulletin and other event-related information; being mindful of the importance that communication plays in our school. Thank you Parents' Guild!

Finally, the SMA Alumnae Board has embarked on a valuable introspection exercise since January about their purpose and mission including the types of activities and events they plan and promote. It has been a very impressive examination on how to honor the wisdom of an Alumnae Association founded in 1909 and remain relevant and welcoming to all generations of alumnae. Thank you SMA Alumnae Association!

Please mark your calendars and purchase tickets to our 14th Annual **Marian Awards for Excellence Brunch on Saturday May 12** at The Gates on Roblin. Tickets are available on our website. Four wonderful SMA alumnae will be honoured for their fulfillment of the Academy's Vision in our world. Thank you distinguished Alumnae!

Senior School Principal's Message

Mrs. Michelle Klus



Happy Easter! May we continue to be grateful to our God with open hearts and a joyful spirit for the gift of Jesus.

It is hard to believe that there are only two months of school remaining in this school year, there is still so much left to do! Preparations continue for the graduating class: Parent-Daughter Mass and Brunch on May 31, Alumnae Induction on June 5, Graduation Dinner and Dance on June 22 and Convocation on June 27. Planning for the Leadership Council Carnival that takes place on May 29 is also well under way. The Carnival is for current SMA students as well as new students for the next school year. It is a time where we celebrate and welcome new students and give them a glimpse into the SMA community.

Final cumulative and common exams take place in June (worth 20% in Junior School and 30% in Senior School). The Grade 12 students will also write Provincial Math Exams in the same time frame. This is frequently a time of stress and anxiety. To help alleviate potential anxieties, I recommend an exam study schedule which allows ample time to prepare, and one of the most important things, sleep! If you feel that your daughter may require additional assistance, please contact our Student Services Team. Teachers provide students with an exam outline along with a few days of overview and review in the final days leading up to the assessment. The June exam schedule will be posted on our website. It is recommended that you review your daughter's schedule to avoid any last minute conflicts. In addition, please familiarize yourself with the year-end textbook return policy found on page 14 of the Student Agenda.

We appreciate your ongoing support of the school and involvement in your daughter's education.

Junior School Principal's Message

Mrs. Carol-Ann Swayzie (van Es '80)



Happy Easter to all! As the winter season unfolds into the warmth and sunshine of spring, it is a true reminder of rebirth and joy.

We are now heading into our last push of the year, and it always seems to pass in the blink of an eye! The energy of the junior students was quite evident during our Spirit Days preceding the Spring Break. Our final dance for Junior School students is on Friday, April 27, with doors open from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

In the next two months, our junior students will be diving more deeply into their content areas, extending their learning and making further connections. As well, they will be participating in Sports Field day on May 7, and the Gauss Math competition on May 16. June will bring a more focused preparation time for final exams, which take place from Monday June, 18 to Thursday, June 21. In addition to exams, some courses are incorporating final project work, allowing students a different format to produce evidence of their understanding. Once the juniors finish exams, they are finished with regular classes. Should students wish to review their exams afterwards, they are asked to make an appointment with their teacher on Tuesday, June 26. Reports cards will be available for pick up from homeroom teachers on June 29 between 8:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.

As always, we are thankful and humbled by your commitment to your daughter's education.



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Charism and Mission Office

Sr. Michelle Garlinski '88, SNJM

Christ is Risen – Indeed, He Is Risen!

Although the spring buds are a bit behind in their appearance, signs of new life abound in other ways. We gathered to celebrate the Easter liturgy during Easter week where the water was blessed and we were sprinkled with it. Fr. Eric Giddins reminded us that we must go through the suffering to experience the new life.

The Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary (SNJM) of Manitoba, together with our Associates and SMA community, welcomed the arrival of our Refugee family on April 5. Our family of five is from South Sudan having spent the past 9 years in a refugee camp in Egypt. They will now begin their new life here in Canada!

The Holy Father has released his third Apostolic Letter, **Rejoice and Be Glad**, (which is a significant reflection on a theme of faith that encourages the Christian Faithful on their journey). **Rejoice and Be Glad** focuses on the call to holiness which is not reserved for a few, but for all. This beautiful continuation of what was started at the Second Vatican Council, is wrapped in language and examples that reflect the present day. Pope Francis presents a wonderful challenge to us this Easter season and beyond, "If we let ourselves be guided by the Spirit instead of our own preoccupations, we can and must try to find the Lord in every human life."

We're in the midst of celebrating the 175th Anniversary of the SNJM, and we are also preparing to celebrate the 150th Anniver-

sary of St. Mary's Academy in 2019. We look forward to sharing more important information, plans and dates with you soon. You won't want to miss the many ways to celebrate this milestone!

May the gift of new life that is alive in our hearts this Easter season, remain with you throughout the year. Alleluia!



l-r: Sr. Michelle Garlinski '88, Fr. Eric Giddins, Sr. Mary Gorman '48, Mrs. Joanne Steeves (Weight '90)

Campus Ministry

Mrs. Joanne Steeves (Weight '90)

Christ is Risen; Indeed, He Is Risen!

I pray everyone had a happy Easter and a wonderful Spring break. Campus Ministry is in full swing again after a well-deserved and restful break. We continue our ministry with renewed hope and joy, both within and outside of our walls.

Junior Club L.E.M.O.N (Leaders Embarking On a Mission Over Noon):

Our Grades 7 and 8 Club L.E.M.O.N members have been gathering monthly with the Grade 10 leaders to contemplate a different theme each month. Last month they were "in full bloom" as they looked at their own gifts and talents. This month they will be truly "EGG-cellent" as they search through the school on their very own scavenger egg hunt.

Harvest Thursday: Students continue to serve and assist clients at a satellite site of Winnipeg Harvest each Thursday morning until May 24.

AMS@SMA (A Monthly Service): Students help out this month at the West Broadway Youth Outreach. They will be helping with their regular Friday night activities of "Girls World" and "Book Jam".

J-Walking (Justice) Group: has been visiting Gonzaga Middle school and Welcome Home each month, sharing their time and compassion with those in the community. This month staff and students are busy preparing a meal for the community at the Welcome Home where our student J-Walkers have been "walking with the people" every month.

Earth Day Prayer Service

We participated in Earth Day Celebrations with prayer on Friday, April 20 at 8:00 a.m. We joined the Green Team to pray in a special way for all creation. Our gathering took place outside, near the Wellington Crescent exit.

Youthleader 2018

Is your daughter interested in being a member of SMA's Youthleader Team 2018? Youthleader is a Christian Leadership week that helps high school students in Grades 10-12 (in the 2018-19 school year), and their adult leaders grow in their call to leadership and affirm their own unique talents and gifts. The week will focus on skill development and enrichment using effective communication, group facilitation skills and proactive leadership.

Youthleader will run from Monday, August

27 until Thursday, August 30, at St. Benedict's Retreat and Conference Centre. For more information or to register, email Sr. Michelle Garlinski, at mgarlinski@smamb.ca, or pick up a form outside of the Charism and Mission Office. Sponsored by the Youth Office of the Archdiocese of Winnipeg. Applications are due May 4, 2018.

Continued blessings on your Easter season and please join us in celebration every Wednesday morning in Holy Names Chapel for Mass at 8:00 a.m. (until May 16).



Holy Names Chapel

April 2018

Green Team

Mrs. Kendra Lé

The St. Mary's Academy Green Team acknowledged Bottled Water Free Day (March 15) and World Water Day (March 22) last month. The girls drew attention to the issues surrounding the use of non-reusable plastic water bottles by starting both days with a special prayer and by sharing a link to a CBC article talking about the micro plastics found in our ecosystem and within the bottles themselves. There was a bulletin board on display that showcased the lifecycle of a plastic water bottle and presentations were made to Grade 7 classes.

The purpose of these presentations was to educate students, and to honour the SNJM corporate stance and vision for why our team and school feel so strongly about using reusable and refillable water bottles. To conclude our efforts to raise awareness surrounding water related issues, the team hosted Alex Martin, a 17 year old Winnipegger and avid freshwater kayaker, on Monday, April 9. This summer Alex will be attempting a two-month solo circumnavigation of Lake Winnipeg, a feat that has been successfully accomplished only once before in the early 1980s by two adventurers. Alex came to

speak to a packed room of students about his journey and some of the issues surrounding Lake Winnipeg. The Green Team continues to strive to uphold Pope Francis' social encyclical and his call for us to take "care of our common home". *See photo on last page*



Alex Martin's Presentation

SMarket

Mrs. Meghan Slater (Reid '10)

The Grade 12 Economics Class was busy working on their "Future CEO Project" which consisted of starting a business based around a product they produced. Students learned about budgeting, production, business writing, branding, marketing and selling. The goal of the project was to learn about business through starting a business.

Students showcased their business skills at **SMarket** — a market they created. A variety of handmade products from beauty products, study guides, candles, and more were available. Products were priced between \$1.00 and \$15.00, with all proceeds going to SMA's Bursary Fund. SMarket operated out of the Sheila Chipman Atrium on March 23, April 10 and April 18. Congratulations to all of these students on successful business ventures!

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People of Joy Spring Concert

Sunday, April 29, 2018 at 3:00 p.m.
St. Mary's Academy, Old Auditorium
Light refreshments served after concert
Silver collection supporting Rossbrook House Music Program

Featuring
Con Fuoco | Con Spiritu
Strings Club | Special Guests TBA



Quebec Trip

Mme. Maria Marasco

"Je me souviens" (we remember) — You will find this motto on the Québec license plate, just as 29 SMA students found out when they arrived in la belle ville de Québec on February 16. Our Québec Trip took place from February 16 to 20, 2018, with 29 SMA students along with Mlle. Nabess, Sr. Michelle Garlinski and myself. We had an amazing language and cultural experience in Québec City and Montréal. Some highlights included: a walking tour of the fortified city and a military history sound and light show at the Musée du Fort, dogsledding, snowshoeing and going down a giant toboggan slide on the famous Dufferin Terrace walkway in front of the historic Château Frontenac! Wait there's more! We took a ferry ride across the majestic St. Lawrence River, shopped in Canada's oldest neighbourhood, Place Royale, jiggled and ate authentic voyageur food and made la tir d'érable (maple syrup on a stick) at the Sugar Shack, and it didn't end there! On

the Sunday, we celebrated mass at a world-renowned pilgrimage site at Ste. Anne-de-Beaupré and from there we visited the famous Montmorency Falls. That evening we also went to the Valcartier Winter Sports Village where we toured an Ice Hotel. Did you know that you can actually rent a room for an overnight stay? After supper we tried our tube and rafting skills down the snowy hills — as an aside, I conquered Mt. Everest, with the moral support or should I say "peer pressure" of the girls and Sr. Michelle! The last two days were spent in Montréal and Longueuil. We had time to shop on rue Ste. Catherine, see the skyline from the top of Mount Royal and la pièce de resistance, in my opinion, was visiting the SNJM sisters at Centre Marie-Rose. I had the privilege of visiting here last May with colleagues and to come back and reconnect with the Sisters with our students was very special for me.

If your daughter wishes to take part in the next exciting whirlwind venture in 2020, make sure she's enrolled in French. Read below for some student testimonials about our trip.

"On our trip to Québec, I very much enjoyed dogsledding and visiting a sugar shack!" Linnea K.

"One of the most enjoyable portions of the Québec trip was our tour guide, Estelle. Her enthusiasm challenged me to further develop my oral French speaking skills. She offered multiple opportunities to engage in French with each other, with her and other Francophones, as well as with the Québécois culture surrounding us. I will always remember this trip and how it taught me and exposed me to new French experiences." Katarina S.

"There was a range of exciting activities for everyone to enjoy. I personally liked the dogsledding! I'm glad I got the chance to go and strengthen my French and my friendships!" Emily L.

"Walking in Old Québec was the highlight for me! Québec is rich in history and is so beautiful. I had fun dogsledding and visiting the Sugar Shack eating great food and making la tir d'érable." Nina H.

"We had an amazing time at the Sugar Shack where we ate delicious Québécois food, maple syrup on a stick and learned French songs and jiggled while playing the wooden spoons! Vive le Québec!!!" Nebaal Z and Sierra H.

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Drama

Ms. Eliana Dell'Acqua '03

The Drama Department has been on fire with preparation for final exams. A big congratulations goes out to our Grade 9 students and their very successful rendition of *The Diary of Anne Frank*. They did an incredible job of capturing Anne Frank's life and we couldn't be more proud of them!

Our Grade 10 students presented their murder mysteries on April 19. They delighted

audiences with four murder mysteries throughout the day; *Afternoon at the Seaside*, *The Rats*, *Whodunit* and *The Patient*. Way to Hold High The Torch girls!

Our Senior Drama students (Grades 11 and 12) are working diligently on their big production of *Game of Tiaras*. A murderously, hilarious play about a King and his treacherous Disney princess daughters. Heads will roll in this race for the throne! As a reminder, this show is done completely by the students for you! *Game of Tiaras* will

be performed in the afternoon of Thursday, May 24, and again at 7:00 p.m. Parents and family of all the performing arts students are welcome to the day and/or night productions. We hope to see you there!

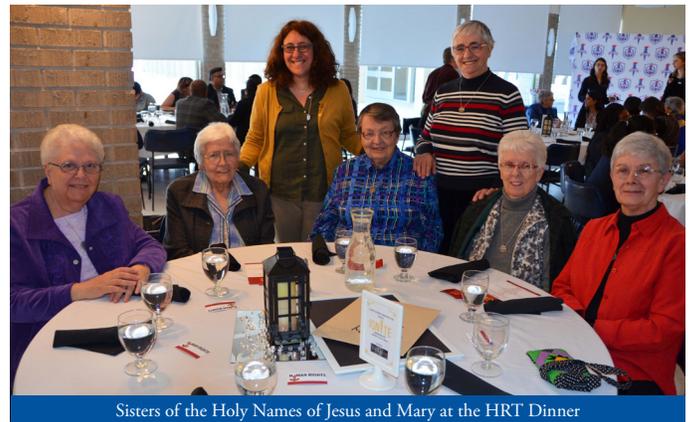
Stay tuned for an exciting announcement regarding our school-wide, fall Drama Production. We hope to release information soon! Thank you for your continued support of our program!

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Human Rights Team Dinner

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SMA's Human Rights Team (HRT) was pleased to host dinner with the theme of: *IGNite, Inspiring Generations Through The Value of Empathy*, on Friday, March 16. Masters of Ceremonies and HRT co-chairs, Isha Khandelwal '19 and Cameron Armstrong '19, imparted the importance of empathy, while ensuring guests had some good fun. The opening ice breaker activity was a hoot (you definitely want Mrs. Jen O'Leary at your table for a game of charades). The evening also included a moving and thought provoking keynote speech from teacher, Ms. Stephanie Zirino '07. We were also blessed to have an alumna at each table who mentored guests through activities. The Gates on Roblin served a delicious meal followed by a decadent dessert. SMA thanks all mentors for their wisdom and all guests for the pleasure of their company. Congratulations to our entire Human Rights Team on a wonderful event! Way to Hold High The Torch!



Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary at the HRT Dinner

DigiGirlyz

Mrs. Kendra L 

A handful of SMA students from Grades 8-11 attended a Microsoft Canada DigiGirlyz one-day camp earlier this month. This camp is a global program with multi-

day and one-day camps being held in multiple countries around the world. The event was free and 40 spots were open to all girls ages 13-16. The goal of the camp was to expose young women to careers available to them in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. Throughout the day, students attended hands-on computer and technol-

ogy workshops on AR/VR technology, Cognitive Thinking, Robotic cars, and 3D illustration. Students were also afforded the opportunity to talk to Microsoft employees about their life experiences and career. The day allowed for our young women to extend their learning opportunities beyond the walls of the classroom.

From the Career Counsellor

Ms. Lindsay Fennell '07

U of W "Getting Ready for First Year" Presentation
May 30, 2018 | 11:40 a.m.
Old Auditorium

U of M "Getting Ready for First Year" Presentation
May 31, 2018 | 1:05 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Old Auditorium

These presentations will show Grade 12 students how to use the student registration/degree planning system and cover

topics such as university terminology, selecting courses, picking a major, what/how to prepare over the summer and where to get help. The St. Paul's College Student Association will present at the U of M event.

Grade 12 Students

All Grade 12 students who participated in Panel Interviews will individually meet with Ms. Fennell in April to review the feedback and advice provided by our professional SMA panelists.

Grade 11 Students

Grade 11 students can book appointments outside of Office 309 to meet with Ms. Fennell prior to summer break. Learn about all the support available to you as an SMA student. Come with questions about course selection, university entrance requirements, university faculties, programs, co-ops, scholarships, careers and more!

Grade 10 Alumna Career Speaker Presentation
Thursday, May 3, 2018
Periods 4 & 5 in Alumnae Hall.

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Track and Field

Mr. Demetro Danyluk

Indoor Track & Field

SMA's Indoor Track and Field Team competed very well this year with several athletes making the podium and finishing in the top 10 in the Province in all the meets they competed in this winter.

Junior Team

The Junior team had top performances from Cadence Christie '22 (Distance), Emilia Banmann '22 (HJ), Jasmine DeCaire '22 (HJ/SP), Lily Francis '22 (200/Distance), Angelina Cerqueti '23 (SP/LJ),

Jordyn Espenell '23 (SP), Lauren Vis '22 (Hurdles/200), Oluwadara Nuga '22 (SP), Kaley Head '21 (SP), Taya Thoendel '22 (200), Sophia Cholakis '23 (Hurdles) and the Grade 8 4 x 200 relay team.

Senior Team

The Senior team had athletes on the podium or in the top 10 in the Province at their winter meets. SMA was proudly represented by Alyssa Moon '20 (Distance) and Chloe Oleksiuk '20 (60) at the series meets however, they were unable to compete at the championship finale. The following athletes were able to compete and came home with some hardware: Lily Francis '22 (Bronze in

1500 and 5th in 800), Ella Thomson '20 (Silver in 400 and 9th in 200) and Tristan Chambers '18 (Bronze in 400 and 4th in 800).

See photo on last page.

Congratulations to everyone who competed this winter and thank you for making it very enjoyable!

The outdoor season started on March 19. We have a number of alumnae that have come back to coach which increases the excitement and fun. If you have not already, please see Mr. Danyluk for further information, it's not too late to join.

Athletics

Mrs. Jennifer O'Leary (Heywood '85)

In the home of the Flames, the high top basketball shoes have been stashed on the top shelf and replaced with badminton court shoes, spikes for track and field, soccer cleats and rugby jerseys.

Badminton

The senior badminton team, coached by Mano Navarro, is in full swing in West Winnipeg Athletic Conference league play. Melina Audino '19, Natasha Oberoi '19 and Anastasia Christodoulou '20 hope to attend and strike gold on May 1 at the

2018 Provincial Championships. They are joined by Mansi Bhatnagar '18, Amanda Lee '18, Leah Handford '19, and Thilini Livera '19. Grades 8 and 9 Junior Badminton, also coached by Mano Navarro, has begun league play in the Pembina Trails Athletic Association.

Rugby

Rugby is coached by Patricia Fraser and Assistant Coaches Halie Friesen '12, Lea Soenen '11, Katie Wilson '13 and Floreanne Macalalad '13. League play begins at the end of April.

Soccer

Soccer Coaches Denis Tsai and Geordie MacKenzie have had tryouts for all Grades 9 to 12 soccer players. The team has begun

practicing and league games begin in May.

Track and Field

The Grades 7 and 8 Track and Field meet will take place on Monday, May 7, 2018 at St. Mary's Academy.

As you can tell the gym is a hub of healthy, active young women proudly wearing Flames jerseys. Good luck to all athletes!

Athletic Banquet

The Athletic Banquet will take place on May 30. All coaches and players are welcome and encouraged to attend. Parents and families are most welcome! See bottom of page for details.

Thank you for your continued support of the SMA Athletic Department!

Hockey News

Congratulations to both of our Flames' hockey teams on their Championship performances! Our **Flames High School Team** won the CTV Division of the Winnipeg Women's High School Hockey League (WWHSHL) on March 9. The Flames

faced the Dakota Lancers for 3 games in a best of 3 series. At this week's WWHSHL Banquet, Emily Shippam '21 was named Top Goalie, Alexia Lecocq '18 won a scholarship and coach Noel Rautert won the Referee's Award given to the League's top coaches.

Our **Flames Prep Team** won Gold at the Female World Sport School Challenge on

March 4. The Flames faced Gentry Academy with a final overtime score of 2-1. Congratulations to Logan Angers '18 who was nominated for a Top Goalie Award in the Canadian Sport School Hockey League.

Congratulations to all athletes and coaches on very successful seasons! Many thanks to our entire community for the incredible fan support!

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ST. MARY'S ATHLETIC COUNCIL
PRESENTS:

Fuelling the Fire

THE 2018 ATHLETICS BANQUET
WEDNESDAY, MAY 30TH, 2018



Tickets: \$25 each
Reception: 6:00 p.m.
Dinner: 6:30 p.m.
Catered By:
The Gates on Roblin

Tickets available outside of the Cafeteria during lunch hour or contact Ms. Adriane McElrea at amcelrea@smamb.ca

April 2018

Parents' Guild

Mrs. Kelly Moon

The SMA Parents' Guild final meeting and election of officers will take place on **Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Durocher Library.** We are pleased to have Doris Mae Oulton, a consultant from Child and Youth Services, join us to discuss progress being made by the Well-Being

Committee as part of SMA's Strategic Plan. Please plan to attend!

Volunteers Needed

The Parents' Guild is actively looking for enthusiastic volunteers to assist the Guild in the coming school year. The Executive is looking to fill a vacancy for the 2nd Vice President in charge of Volunteer Management. We are also looking for an individual to co-chair International Day next year. If interested please

contact me at skmoon@shaw.ca.

Volunteer Appreciation Reception

Please join us in the Sheila Chipman Atrium for a **Volunteer Appreciation Reception on Tuesday, June 5, starting at 4:30 p.m.** We look forward to thanking all of our Parents' Guild volunteers for their generous contribution to our school community! Anyone who volunteered in any capacity over the year is welcome to attend.

Alumnae Office

Ms. Amy Houston '03

On April 9 we held our first ever **Mock Panel Interviews** for Grade 12 students. This was a voluntary activity that thirty Grade 12 students signed-up for. Students presented their resume, skills and post-secondary plans, as well as asked questions to a panel of mentors. Mentors provided students with feedback, experience and advice. Students felt the interviews provided them with valuable insight and confidence moving forward. Mentors were truly impressed with the accomplishments and aspirations of our students.

We look forward to welcoming cherished alumnae from the Class of 1954 and earlier to SMA on April 24 for an afternoon tea party with Mrs. May's Grade 8 Home Economics class. Guests will be treated to tea and treats baked by our students along with a sewn favor from Ms. Sichewski's Clothing and Textiles class. Our guests look forward to hearing from the girls about life at the Academy.

As the end of the school year nears we look forward to welcoming our Class of 2018 graduates into the Alumnae Association on June 5 at the Alumnae Induction.

We have the following opportunities for alumnae to gather and celebrate:

Alumnae in Business Speed Networking

May 2, 2018. Tickets on sale now from smamb.ca. Space is limited.

Calgary, Alberta Alumnae Reunion

May 2018, dates TBD

Alumnae Association Kitchen Party with Mrs. Deb May.

June 15, 2018. Tickets on sale soon.

Toronto, Ontario Alumnae Reunion

June 23 & 24, 2018.

Send In Your Alumnae News

We are gathering information for our Torch Light magazine. If you have news to share (career, life or education achievements), please send the story to me at ahouston@smamb.ca. Pictures welcome!

Special Events

Mrs. Kerri Moore (McIvor '94)

The 14th Annual **Marian Awards for Excellence Brunch** is on Saturday, May 12, 2018, at The Gates on Roblin. We are proud to honour Dr. Diane Clare '69, Cheryl Prokopanko (Balaberda '72), Brigitte Sandron (Van Ginkel '77) and Melissa Serbin '01 as alumnae who embrace our mission and vision in the community and the world. Tickets are available at www.smamb.ca/events/marian-awards-for-excellence/. For more information, please email me at kmoore@smamb.ca.

On Tuesday, April 17, 2018, we welcomed grandparents and generational mentors of our Grades 7 and 9 students at **Generations Day.**

SMA is very excited to introduce a new event for our current students in all grades; **Table For One Hundred Father-Daughter Dinner will take place at SMA the evening of Friday, June 1, 2018.** Please watch your inbox for more information about this inaugural event and expect the ticket launch in early May.

Private Music Lessons

If you are interested in private piano, music theory or beginner guitar lessons at St. Mary's Academy, please call Sister Josephine Chudzick at 204-284-3309.

DATES TO NOTE

April 2018

- 24 Summer Uniform Sale: 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
- 27 Junior Dance
- 29 Spring Concert

May 2018

- 1 Summer Uniform Option Available
- 1 Parents' Guild Meeting
- 4 Grade 11 Drama Performance Exam
- 5 Concours d'art oratoire
- 7 AP Chemistry Exam (morning)
- 8 Late Start at 9:55 a.m.
- 9 AP ELA Exam (morning)
- 11 Colour Day
- 12 Marian Awards For Excellence Brunch
- 15 AP Calculus Exam (morning)
- 15 AP French Exam (afternoon)
- 16 Gauss Math Competition
- 17 Grades 8 & 9 Immunizations
- 21 No Classes - Victoria Day
- 22 Late Start: 9:55 a.m. (Faculty Planning)
- 24 Grade 12 Drama Performance Exam
- 29 Leadership Council Carnival: 2:30 p.m.
- 30 Athletic Council Banquet
- 31 Late Start at 10:40 a.m.
- 31 Grade 12 Parent/Daughter Mass and Brunch

SMA Corner Store

The Corner Store welcomes donations of gently worn uniforms for resale. Net proceeds go towards the school's academic and extracurricular activities supported by the Parents' Guild. Items can be dropped off at the School Office or at the Corner Store during operating hours, including the Spring Sale on Tuesday April 24.

Look for new merchandise in store this spring including hoodies, crewnecks, baseball tees and SMA pillows!

TARTAN SHOP

Summer Uniform Sale

Tuesday, April 24, 2018

5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sheila Chipman Atrium

Summer uniforms may be worn beginning May 1, 2018. Details on the Summer Uniform are found in the 17/18 Student Agenda. The last day the Tartan Shop will be open for this school year is Friday, May 25.

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MARIAN  AWARDS
FOR EXCELLENCE
Hold High The Torch

2018 Recipients



Dr. Diane Clare '69



Cheryl Prokopanko
(Balaberda '72)



Brigitte Sandron
(Van Ginkel '77)



Melissa Serbin '01
Young Alumna Recipient

14th Annual Marian Awards for Excellence Brunch Saturday, May 12, 2018

Mimosa Reception at 10:00 a.m. | Brunch at 10:30 a.m. | Award Presentations Following Brunch
The Gates on Roblin, 6945 Roblin Boulevard

Individual Ticket: \$75 | Table of 8: \$600 | Table of 10: \$750

Purchase tickets at smamb.ca/events/marian-awards-for-excellence

For more information, contact Kerri Moore at kmoore@smamb.ca or 204-478-6031



Table For One Hundred

Students and their fathers/male role models sharing dinner and special moments at St. Mary's Academy

Save the Date

Friday, June 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Details about this inaugural event will be published in the Communiqué and on our website in early May

Around the Academy



Quebec Trip



Generations Day



Panel Interviews



Grade 9 Drama Performance Exam



Grade 10 Drama Performance Exam



Human Rights Team Dinner



World Water Day Presentation by the Green Team



SMARket



Indoor Track and Field Medalists
Lily Francis '22, Ella Thomson '20, Tristan Chambers '18



Flames High School Hockey Team
Winnipeg Women's High School Hockey League, CTV Division Champions



Flames Prep Team
Female World Sport School Challenge Champions