

Nazareth Association News

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MISSION STATEMENT

The members of the Nazareth Association, consisting of alumni, faculty and staff, and friends of the schools once operated by the Sisters of St. Joseph at Nazareth, Michigan, seek to continue the century-old tradition of wholistic human development through reunions and informative programs for the membership, as well as scholarships and grants to memorialize the search for knowledge and service to the world community.



Leave Your Legacy Through Gifting

Nazareth Association has been blessed to receive significant memorials in the past. We are honored to be the stewards of these monies and are committed to use them to further the mission of Nazareth Association.

You, too, can leave your legacy through a gift to Nazareth Association. What a wonderful way to make what you value live on! This can be accomplished through grants, which support the good works of the sisters, and our scholarship programs, promoting education for young people.

Contact the Nazareth Association office for more information.

President's Message

Happy Spring! The year 2013 has brought to us a real spring and it is truly wonderful to see the new life that surrounds us! The Nazareth Association has been busy this year having met very early this spring. We are well underway in developing our projects for the 2013 year. Foundation and tradition are the two fundamental concepts that make up our organization. Whether one attended the Nazareth Academy, Barbour Hall, St. Camillus/Borgess School of Nursing, St. Joseph Flint School of Nursing or Nazareth College, a foundation in academics was what we all attained. This foundation of academics molded in the ideals of servant leadership was achieved because of the tradition the Sisters of St. Joseph established and carried out as they went about their mission and work.

Today we look at this foundation and tradition slightly different. The academic institutions that were once a part of Nazareth are now gone; but we continue the legacy. We, the individuals who make up the Nazareth Association, are the outward sign of the foundation that we learned and the tradition that we continue to carry out in our day-to-day lives. Kind of like the spring we are experiencing, we are the new life; growing each day, enhancing the lives of others we meet because of our Nazareth foundation and tradition. The Scholarship and Grant Committees have been busy preparing for 2013; these two groups reflect our foundation in academics and help continue the tradition of the Sisters, respectively.

Think about what you could do to enhance the world around you. Are you moved to become a Nazareth board member, possibly volunteer on one of the committees? Think of how you can serve others, using what you learned at the various Nazareth institutions; we have so much to give.

On that note, reflect on what Nazareth has given you and what you can give to others; it is the circle of life much like the seasons! Spring seedlings which is what we all once were! Amazing how much we have grown, how much our experiences have molded and changed us into the people we are today. Our past shapes our future. What we have learned along the way in places such as Nazareth has allowed us to influence the future, which we are living each day. Let us all be seeds for the future.

Fondly,
Anne Marie Bradley NC '91
President
Nazareth Association





Scholarship News

by Priscilla Cronley-Swiat

The selection committee for the 2013-2014 Nazareth Association scholarships met April 15 and reviewed the applications for this year. \$8,000 in scholarships will be awarded at Spirit Day in September. The Association Rotating School Scholarship this year will honor Barbour Hall.

Our Recognition Project

by Anne Marie Bradley

The Nazareth Board of Directors spent some time at our April 2013 board meeting discussing the importance of the Congregation of St. Joseph Sisters' role in our organization. Numerous Sisters have participated with us as the Association has developed over the years. We discussed the need to recognize all that the Sisters of St. Joseph, the now Congregation of St. Joseph, have done to foster our development as a thriving result of their time and efforts. We described it as a thank you of sorts.

At the meeting in April, we spoke regarding how many of the Sisters have had a great presence in our development, either as representatives on the board, supporting our projects and as recipients of the Nazareth Association Grants. We felt recognition was in order. In the past, we have named scholarships after deceased members of the community, but we wanted to focus on the living members of the community that have contributed to the organization. With the help of board member Sr. Grace Scola and Sr. Betsy Meagher, we will be planting a tree in honor of the named Sisters with a small plaque in their honor. After discussion with the Sisters, we decided that an ornamental tree will be planted east of the Holy Family Chapel in the courtyard of the Motherhouse for all to enjoy.

We are excited and pleased to proceed with this wonderful recognition of the contributions these Sisters have made for Nazareth and for the Nazareth Association over the years. Please plan to come to Spirit Day and join in the celebration.

Scholarship to Honor Nazareth College Class of 1937

by Charlene Durfee, Priscilla Cronley-Swiat and Suzanne Lareau

This fall, the three of us are sponsoring a scholarship to honor our mothers and their classmates who graduated from Nazareth College in 1937. Our research has turned up the following names as members of that class. If anyone has additional names or information about the classmates, please send information to the Association office. We particularly would like to know of any surviving members that we could interview.

Marie (Swartz) Lareau Armstrong
Mary K. (Conlisk) Baranec
Catherine Daly
Phyllis (Canfield) Derr
Sr. Eunice Diroff
Sr. Marie Joseph Fitzgerald
Hazel (Flynn) Flaherty
Mary Margaret (Orlowski) Geiken
Agnes (Daly) Griener
Marian Hankerd
Grace Hiltz
Dorothy Housinger
Valenta (Doyle) Hurst
Gertrude (Kirt) Jenema
Clare (Golden) Jerdone
Rena (Thibodeau) Kerr
Charlotte (Henns) Koestner
Frances (Earl) Newland
Marie (Conti) Oresti
Carol Platz
Dorothy (Kroth) O'Neill
Helen (LaFreniere) Pike
Sr. Ann Marie Roberts
Mary Ellen (Devview) Sullivan
Mary (Daly) Theisen
Sr. Carolanne Wolahan

Friends for Life



Class of 1937 members: Mary Theisen, Mary Margaret Geiken and Charlotte Koestner

Nazareth Association Grant Helps to Bring Renowned Speaker

Last Spirit Day, Transformations Spirituality Center at Nazareth was awarded a grant to assist in bringing Helen Prejean, CSJ, to present the following program:

Dead Man Walking: the Journey Continues

Fri., Sept. 20, 7:00 p.m. through Sat., Sept. 21, 12:00 p.m.

"I saw the suffering and I let myself feel it... I saw the injustice and was compelled to do something about it. I changed from being a nun who only prayed for the suffering world to a woman with my sleeves rolled up, living my prayer."

Meet the real woman behind the book and film *Dead Man Walking: An Eyewitness Account of the Death Penalty*. Join us for an evening and morning with Sr. Helen Prejean, as she shares her continuing journey of standing for life... all life, in all its holiness, with all its wonder, all its flaws, from beginning to end. Sr. Helen is an engaging and inspiring example of how prayer and responding to the gospel message can take us in unexpected directions to unanticipated places.

Since 1984, Sister Helen has divided her time between educating citizens about the death penalty, counseling individual death row prisoners, public speaking and writing. She has accompanied six men to their deaths. In doing so, she began to suspect that some of those executed were not guilty. This realization inspired her second book, *The Death of Innocents: An Eyewitness Account of Wrongful Executions*. As the founder of "Survive," a victim's advocacy group in New Orleans, she continues to counsel not only inmates on death row, but the families of murder victims as well. She is presently at work on her third book, *River of Fire: My Spiritual Journey*.

Cost for the program, overnight stay and breakfast is \$125 with a \$25 non-refundable deposit paid by Aug. 30; \$135 after that date. Cost of the program only is \$95. Please register by Sept. 9 by phoning 269.381.6290 ext.310, or on the web at www.TransformationsCenter.org.

Diocese Establishes Sister Relationship with Lodwar, Kenya

by Maureen Metty, CSJ

At Spirit Day 2012, I received a generous donation from the Nazareth Association grant fund to begin the efforts toward a *sister relationship* between the Diocese of Kalamazoo and the Diocese of Lodwar, Kenya. Bishop Paul Bradley of Kalamazoo announced in the March 2013 issue of the "Good News" that the process has begun. A diocesan task force is working on the details of the relationship. The goal of the *sister relationship* is to foster joint learning and sharing of gifts.

In May 2013, Fr. Ken Schmidt from St. Thomas Moore Student Parish and a parishioner, Sharon Froom, traveled to

Lodwar to offer a seminar on trauma healing and training. The participants included priests and religious men and women who work and minister in the Diocese affected by many tribal conflicts. In October, additional area priests are traveling to Lodwar and Bishop Bradley is hopeful that he will accompany them.

It is with much gratitude that I share this with you and thank you for your incredible support as we continue to build relationships with the Catholic Community in Lodwar.



Covenant Community Care

by Matt Fleming, Development Officer

On behalf of the staff, patients and community served by Covenant Community Care, thank you for your \$600 grant to help support our mission.

Your gift has helped us provide life-saving medical and dental care to some of the poorest and marginalized here in Detroit. An example of this is the partnership we have with H.O.P.E. (Helping Operations for People Empowerment) lead by Rev. Samuel Spruill. The great people at H.O.P.E. are committed to helping those leaving the penal system to integrate back into society. We provide free medical and dental care while they apply for health insurance, look for work, find housing and walk the difficult path of transition back into society. It is your support that enables us to continue this work. Thank you!

In the last six months, we have also expanded care in Detroit by opening our first east side location. We are now working out of a temporary, modular structure as progress is made on the renovations to our newest clinic. It is our hope that this clinic will be finished in the fall of 2013. The picture below shows our team ready to do the work that is taking place because of your support.

Thank you for your commitment, in keeping with the work of our Lord Jesus, to see that the poor in our communities are cared for. God Bless you for your generous giving.



Spirit Day Theme: Seeds for the Future

by Mary Van Tassel

Nazareth Association Alums will have a double treat this year with two Inspirational programs with presenters on the theme "Seeds for the Future." After their tasty luncheon in the Georgian room, members may choose either program by these inspiring women:

"Seeds for a Healthy Planet" presenter is Sister Jenny Jones, whose program will touch on our biblical foundations, our heritage, energy and climate changes and, finally, seeds for your grandchildren.

"Seeds of Our True Self" presenter is Marianne Houston, back by popular demand, will invite participants to turn to the packet of seeds they received earlier and quietly consider these small seeds and the "seeds of myself." She will use a poem called: *A Sower went out to sow some seeds*, deep reflection and sharing to explore the congruence of our souls and our roles today.

Participants will have time to visit the **History Room** to explore all the secrets and treasures. A silent auction and memorabilia will be available all day with Mass at 4 p.m. and afterglow at 5p.m. More food will be provided and winners of the silent auction revealed, as we bid our friends goodbye.

The Spirit Day goal is to help alums reunite for their special anniversaries. This year's honored guests are those whose graduation years end in 3 or 8. Calling a classmate and booking a room together at Transformations for the weekend will maximize your experiences.

Call Transformations at 269.381.6290 ext.310 or visit them at www.TransformationsCenter.org

Friday evening activities for everyone will honor those celebrating their special reunions. This event begins at 6:30 p.m. with light refreshments and time to just get re-connected. This gives you time to come in earlier and be settled in your room. If you need help to find those lost friends, our office may be able to help by sending you a class list. Call 269.342.1191 and leave a message or visit www.NazarethAssociation.org

Special Spouses program for Saturday is a guided tour by Docent Jerry Van Tassel of the nearby Gilmore Car Museum. Admission fee is \$10.00 and lunch is available at the historic diner.

See you at Spirit Day... Mary Van Tassel, chair

Borgess School of Nursing, Class of 1963 - this is our 50th, so hope to see you all at Spirit Day!

Spirit Day Pictures 2012



How Does a Cattle Tag, President Taft and eBay Relate?

by Michael D. Coleman NC '91 & '92

I must admit, I have an addiction – it is eBay; well, actually, it is collecting which is intensified by eBay. I have over 30 saved searches which results in between 15 and 30 email notifications each morning for me to review. By now, many of the items identified are either already in my collection, not related to what I collect, or on the rare occasion, it is truly something to add to my collection.

One of my latest and most unique finds was a cattle tag from Nazareth Farms, Nazareth, Mich. I am sure most of us know of, and some remember, the farm that the Sisters used to have and run. Personally, I only heard stories of the farm. I could be wrong, but I don't think there is any information about the farm on display in the Nazareth History Room. So when an artifact showed up on eBay, I was extremely excited. I believe I was the only bidder on the item and "won" it for less than \$10.

Many of my family and friends consider my eBay finds odd and question why I would make such a strange purchase; but to me, they are treasures. A few of the other Nazareth related things I have found via eBay are:

- Ground breaking ribbon from the Corner Stone Ceremony for Borgess Hospital in 1916
- Ribbon and St. Joseph medal commemorating President Taft's visit to Nazareth in 1911
- Various old press photographs of Nazareth and Borgess
- St. Camillus School nursing pin
- Set of Nazareth College catalogues from the Registrar's office

Anytime my collections come up in conversation, I always mention that you can find ANYTHING on eBay and now, I will be using the Nazareth Farms cattle tag as my newest example.



Benton Harbor Girls Academy

by Dr. Patricia Ann Quattrin Ph.D

Benton Harbor Girls Academy is about to complete its third successful year. With a new teacher, Carla Trump, the ten girls made great strides in their coursework, especially math and reading. All the girls, most of whom were below their grade level or more in most subjects when they enrolled at BHGA, are now at grade level or above. Our all-girls academy is showing that academic success is possible when the environment is nurturing and safe, and students are encouraged and allowed to work at their own pace to absorb instructional materials. The education of each girl in the Academy is paid for by a \$7,000 sponsorship provided by individuals, groups, organizations, business, etc. Can you help provide such a successful education to more students by sponsoring a girl or by forming a group to sponsor a girl or by encouraging an organization or a church to sponsor a girl? Our hope is to enroll more girls in the fall, but to do so, BHGA needs additional sponsorships. These girls need your help. "When you educate a girl, you change the world" (Oprah Winfrey).

The Benton Harbor Girls Association for Learning & Self-esteem, the 501(c) (3) Corporation that operates the Academy, is sponsoring its 4th annual benefit Golf Outing to raise funds for the Academy. The outing is Sunday, June 30, 2013, at Lake Michigan Hills Golf Club, 2520 Kerlikowske Road, Benton Harbor. The day includes driving range warm-up, continental breakfast, shotgun start, and a lunch buffet. There is a grand prize for the winning team, and other contests with prizes throughout the event. The cost is \$100 per person, which includes a second FREE round of golf valid through 2013! Space is limited and reservations are required. For more information, contact Barb Konopka at 269.757.1555 or bjkonopka@aol.com or Mike Lucker at 269.363.7351 or michaelluckner@gmail.com Please help give these underprivileged girls a chance at a good education and a future. And, have a day of fun to boot!



Warming Center and Day Center by Kathleen McKinley-Goodrich

The Macomb County *Warming Center* and *Ray of Hope Day Center* is pleased to report that our work with homeless individuals in southeastern Michigan's Metropolitan Detroit area has continued and is growing. Since receiving the grant from the Nazareth Association, we have been able to expand and improve our efforts by providing transportation assistance to our homeless guests.

Our *Warming Center* services consist of feeding and sheltering all who come to our doors during the late fall, winter and early spring seasons. The *Ray of Hope* is our day center where we work with guests who are ready to seek employment and housing. This is where the Nazareth bus tickets are used.

Nearly 100% of our guests have no means of transportation except to walk. Of course, most places of employment and housing are in widespread areas, making it almost impossible to reach by walking. This is when the bus tickets, made available by the Nazareth Association grant, are a real blessing! We were able to provide 250 bus tickets to our homeless guests who are eager to find better work and living conditions.

Our most deep-felt thanks go to the Nazareth Association for their support in assisting our employment and home-seeking guests.

Borgess Gardens Grant

By Debbie Persell, Community Life Coordinator

I would like to thank the Association and Sr. Elizabeth Fallon for the 2012 Special Needs Community Service Grant that was given to the Borgess Gardens' Activity Program.

The grant has allowed us to provide a variety of opportunities through the activities department that enrich our residents' lives during their stay at the Gardens. Over the last six months we have had wonderful music programs, purchased bingo prizes and arts/craft items. We also took residents to Artbayou (a paint your own pottery studio) and they had a great time. Without the grant many of these activities would have not been affordable. Borgess Gardens appreciates the grant and the help it has provided through our activity department for our residents.

SEITA Scholars Receive In Abundance by Rita Ann Teichman, CSJ

SEITA Scholars of Western Michigan University received in abundance due to a generous grant from the Nazareth Association and donations from St. Catherine of Siena parishioners and local business organizations! SEITA scholars are women and men, 17 years and older, who have 'maxed out of' foster care and have qualified academically for entrance into the WMU freshmen class. Tuition, board and room are paid by WMU. All extras come through the generosity of many others coordinated through the WMU SEITA Scholars program.

Two events tell the story of abundance. First, standing in a warm, humid, fan-less WMU Harrison Hall classroom on Sunday, August 26, a generous group of volunteers from St. Catherine's and the community filled 100 starter packs for incoming freshmen SEITA Scholars. Each black nylon drawstring back pack contained bottled water, a variety of snacks, and some basic school supplies. In addition, a durable large bath towel and wash cloth were included thanks to the Nazareth Association grant.

On the second occasion, standing around the beautifully decorated tree on Sunday, December 9, the annual Christmas SEITA Scholars party at Western Michigan University was in full swing! Several volunteer families and dedicated individuals had packaged 100 bags of homemade cookies while others composed a note from St. Catherine Parish to each student. Others had patiently and earnestly prepared 100 gift bags. Generosity was evident in the variety of gift cards, candy, pop, and fun Christmas reindeer and Santa hats that were donated.

St. Catherine and WMU SEITA Scholars Program is very grateful to Nazareth Association for their grant and for their tireless work on behalf of the *dear neighbor without distinction*.



In the News ~ Featuring Association Members Making News



Walking With Children Founder and Executive Director, Chris Frederick

Chris Frederick's (NC'89) personal journey with HIV/AIDS began in 1987 when her best friend's husband was diagnosed with the disease due to having hemophilia.

In 1989, Chris became a registered nurse and began to specialize in the areas of medical/surgical, trauma/critical care, and rehabilitation nursing. Eight years later, she accepted a position in a multidisciplinary clinic that cares for people living with HIV/AIDS. It was about that time when Chris also expanded her professional experience by joining the American Association of Nurses in AIDS Care (ANAC). She has been with this progressive organization ever since, currently serving in a consulting role for their International Nursing Committee.

In 1998, Chris earned her Masters of Science in Nursing Degree as an Adult Clinical Nurse Specialist in Michigan from Grand Valley State University. Soon after graduation, Chris concluded that her medical skills could be of immediate use in Honduras, working in a medical mission assisting those devastated by Hurricane Mitch.

When she returned home, her thoughts turned back to the wonderful people she met in Honduras. After some thoughtful prayer, Chris decided that she needed to use her skills and education to do whatever she could to help. She returned to Honduras and opened a home and hospice for children living with HIV/AIDS. Between April 1999 and January 2005, she developed and managed a unique and desperately needed home that provided direct, on-going care for 30 HIV-positive children.

In 2005, Chris' career took a new direction. She was presented with an opportunity to create another successful home and hospice for children living with

HIV/AIDS in the heart of the capital city of Tegucigalpa, Honduras. In 2006, the doors of the facility aptly named "Walking With Children" opened and her journey to care for these wonderful children living with this incurable disease continues.

From Walking With Children Newsletter



A Visionary in Her Library by Steve Zalusky

Mary Ellen Pellington (NC'72), librarian at the Octavia Fellin Public Library in Gallup, N.M., has been called a visionary.

Her vision earned her recognition as one of the winners of the 2012 Carnegie Corporation of New York/New York Times I Love My Librarian Award. The winners are nominated by library users who recognize the accomplishments of exceptional public, school, college, community college or university librarians. The award is a collaborative program of Carnegie Corporation of New York, The New York Times and the American Library Association.

Pellington runs a library that, while funded by a city of 20,000 residents, serves a county of 80,000, of which three-quarters of its population are American Indian.

"Visionary is probably the best word to describe Mary Ellen. Not believing a library should ever be limited by the economic condition of its region, she aggressively seeks out partnerships and grant opportunities, always striving to meet and exceed the needs of her patrons, who live in the 20th poorest county in the United States," said nominator, John Fortunato.

From @your library, a publication of the American Library Association

To read the entire article go to:

<http://atyourlibrary.org/mary-ellen-pellington-visionary-her-library>

25th Annual Nightingale Awards for Nursing Excellence

Anne Marie Bradley (NC'91) of Oakland Hospital & Medical Center was nominated by Kari Szczechowski.

For the past 18 years, Anne Marie Bradley has been recognized as a leader who is dedicated to her patients and the staff at Oakwood Hospital. Since 1998, she has been a member of the Clinical Practice Council (CPC), through which she has assisted on determining practice and policy changes for a variety of departments. Bradley attended the Michigan Center of Nursing Institute Nursing Excellence program, and received the Oakwood Everyday Hero award. Recently she was recognized at the Oakwood Healthcare System Nursing Excellence Celebration with the Nursing Excellence Award for Evidence Based Practice for her achievements over the years with the CPC and the Unit Council on her floor. She continues to grow in her clinical and leadership expertise, which makes her an excellent role model. Her commitment to providing exceptional care to patients is evident in her passion to look for evidence-based practices that will improve nursing practices.

From *Hour Detroit magazine*

Hackett Catholic Central Boys Golf

The Sunday sports section ran an article on the Hackett Catholic Central team whose coach is **Steve Rider (NC'83)**.

Rider works with lots of young golfers, but takes special pride in three who participate in the Junior Golf Association. They are Luke Stull, Colin Joseph and Ted Rider, the coach's son.

For the Riders, golf is family time. Steve cherishes the time he has spent with his sons, Jack and Ted, and has fond memories on the course with them. "For me personally, with Jack and Ted, it's been the best years of my life going to play golf with my boys," Steve Rider said.

From the *Kalamazoo Gazette* - Sunday, April 21, 2013

Kalamazoo Resident has Special Connection to Super Bowl.

Mary Agnes McGrail (NC'34) was featured on Channel 3 because of her close ties to the two coaches whose teams met in the Super Bowl. Brothers John and Jim Harbaugh faced each other in football's biggest game of the year. Both brothers had sent greetings to Mary Agnes, a long-time friend of the Harbaugh family. Mary Agnes would not say if she was rooting for the Ravens or the 49ers.

From *Channel 3 Television News*

7 Decades of Service ~ At 89, Norma Dacoba is the face of La Cantina in Paw Paw.

Norma Dacoba (NC'45) gets up every morning to open the restaurant her parents founded in Paw Paw. She unlocks the door at La Cantina for the driver making deliveries, puts the coffee on and starts cutting bread and prepping the kitchen for the day. The 89-year-old has been serving food to Paw Paw residents since she was about 12.

"My mom stays steadfast," said her daughter, Ava Plaszczak. "She's our glue."

Every afternoon, Dacoba drives home for a few hours, before coming back at about 4 pm readying the cash drawers and taking up her post on a stool near the door.

"I'm here every day and every night," said Dacoba, who's known for her signature sparkly glasses. "I love it. It keeps me busy, and I'm with people all the time."

This is the beginning of an article on Norma Dacoba. The article tells of Norma's early years growing up during the Great Depression, working with her parents as they introduced pizza to the Kalamazoo area in 1948, meeting her husband and raising a family, all with the background of LaCatina, which her family founded in 1936.

From the *Kalamazoo Gazette*, Dec. 23, 2012



A Fresh Approach to Spring Cleaning

In an article by freelance writer Charles McKelvy, he and his wife, Natalie, had been working to organize and simplify their belongings and their life. After making some progress, this is what he wrote:

I drove over to Nazareth, Michigan, to check in with my spiritual director, the learned **Sister Gertrude Maurer**. Sister Gertrude applauded my physical spring cleaning and said I should extend the exercise to my mental and spiritual life. She noted that a life of prayer and meditation is a life well lived and urged me to continue my practice of beginning each day with quiet contemplation and reading of enriching books.

Do not hurry. Do not rush. And take time out during the day to refocus and eliminate waste from the schedule.

Sister Gertrude was simply saying what Natalie always says to me. "Take your daily to-do list and cut it by a third. Own less, do less, and say no."

What a pair of wise women Natalie and Sister Gertrude are. I am blessed to have them guiding me through the spring-cleaning of my closet, calendar and soul.

From Benton Harbor/St. Joseph *Herald-Palladium*



Dr. Patricia Ann Quattrin Honored

In February, **Dr. Patricia Ann Quattrin, Ph.D. (NC'78)** was chosen by Public Media WGVU Engage Women and Girls Who Lead to be honored as one of the local women who inspires women and girls in her community to reach their potential. She was invited to share her story as part of the group's programming initiative event centered on the documentary entitled MAKERS: Women Who Make America.

MAKERS is a national public media initiative designed to focus, educate, and connect women, girls, and their allies across the globe to address the challenges of the 21st century, to celebrate, educate, and activate women and girls.

The group's local Advisory Council is comprised of women leaders in West and Southwest Michigan whose goal is to provide community outreach focusing on leadership, living well and ending violence. Public Media WGVU Engage Women and Girls Who Lead, a group of more than 100 women and girls, recognizes local women who inspire women and girls in their community to realize their potential and deal with some of the obstacles women face in their daily lives.

Dr. Quattrin is Executive Director of the Benton Harbor Girls Association for Learning & Self-esteem and Mistress of Benton Harbor Girls Academy. She received her Bachelors degree from Nazareth College, Masters Degrees from Western Michigan University, and MMS and Ph.D. from University of Notre Dame.

The BHGALS is a non-profit corporation dedicated to enhancing and enriching the educational opportunities for middle school girls in the Benton Harbor community. BHGA is a non-graded, individualized learning, all-girls academy that offers superior education in a safe and nurturing environment in order to empower girls with the confidence, strength, and critical thinking skills they need to succeed in high school, college, and careers.

Grant Helps Provide Dental Care by Lenora Benda, CSJ

The mission of the St. Vincent de Paul Dental Clinic is to provide free or highly subsidized basic dental care to the underserved and uninsured population of the Detroit area. The clinic has now been open three years. The clinic has a pool of over 50 volunteer dental professionals – dentists, oral surgeon, hygienists, assistants and dental students – serving patients approximately 20 days a month. Last year the clinic hosted about 2,100 patient visits.

This year, we will add two new dental operating rooms for a total of four, along with a new waiting room. The grant money from Nazareth Association helps pay for dentures, dental supplies, and educational materials. Dental education and preventative care is something the population we serve greatly needs. By the time we see many of our patients, it is too late to save their teeth and they require dentures. One of our patients who received dentures recently told us, when he looked through his family photo albums, he realized he had not smiled for the last ten years. Since he received his dentures, he was able to be interviewed on television for our fundraiser. Another patient who received dentures said he now felt confident enough to go on job interviews.

We are most grateful for the support from Nazareth Association which helps us fulfill our mission of serving the poor.



Sister Lenora instructs a patient on *oral* hygiene.



One of volunteer dentists with an assistant working with a denture patient.



News & Notes

Nazareth Academy

Patti Bush, daughter of **Barbara Sarnac Thompson (NA'47)**, recently sent a box of Academy memorabilia to the Nazareth office. Patti had informed us of her mother's death last year. She wrote to her mother's classmates, "I wanted each of you to know how much she loved you. She looked forward every year to doing her annual newsletter and keeping track of everyone. She especially enjoyed hearing from all of you. Her days at Nazareth were so happy and she always had wonderful stories to tell us about her friends. Please keep my family and my precious mom in your prayers. Thank you for being a part of my mom's life and touching her heart."

Bev Robinson Goetz (NA'58) writes, "Marcie, my daughter, has been in contact with you regarding my '58 yearbook; for her this experience has been enjoyable. Christmas day she gave me the information you sent her as a surprise gift; of course, I teared up – such a nice surprise. A few days ago she informed me that a '58 yearbook has been found. A DREAM come true. Nazareth Academy was very important in my life."

Nazareth College

In April, **Darlene Pullano Mosher and Rosemary Fisher MacKay (NC'62)** visited classmates and friends during their time in Florida.



Carole (Cousino) Wielosinski ('62)
husband, Don, and
Rosemary MacKay
in the Naples area.



**Nancy Weil (NC'76),
JoAnn Weil Phebus Richardson (NC'72)**
and Darlene Pullano Mosher in the St. Petersburg area.

They also visited **Patricia Quattrin (NC'78)** in Holiday and **Judy (Coppens) Crittenden (NC'62)** and her husband, Larry, in Naples.

Flo (Fisher) Kliber (NC'44) wrote, "Remembering my nun friends and alums from Nazareth and St. Philip Neri School. Am dealing with the humiliation of aging (90 years old) – but grateful to have 4 children (and spouses), 7 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren! Husband Ed has gone to God as have so many dear friends. Thank God I still have good eyes and memory. Hope to make Spirit Day."



1965 classmates **Gloria (Smith) O'Connell, Charlene (Theisen) Durfee, Mary Ellen (Crego Krueger and Carolyn (Borer) Moening** met for lunch in Fort Myers in February. The meeting has become an annual event for the group who spend their retirement winters in sunny Florida.

Connors Hall girls from the class of **1989** visited with Sr. Marciana Hennig at Nazareth last fall. Sr. Marciana was the Post Master of the Nazareth Post Office. The picture includes **Chrissy Frederick, T.C. Rewa Lampart, Sr. Marciana, and Theresa Brannigan Plunkett**.



Barbour Hall

We reported in the fall issue on four couples where the husband went to Barbour Hall and the wife attended the college or the academy. We have discovered another Barbour Hall link. **Rich Shields (BH'56)** married **Johanna Noteboom, a Borgess School of Nursing ('67) graduate**. We're on a mission now and will let you know if we find more!



May They Rest in Peace

Our prayers are offered for the following:

Nazareth Academy and College

1943 Academy/1947 College – Marie (Saro) Preston
died February 10, 2013.

1947 Academy/1951 College - Marilyn (Courtney) Barrett died March 22, 2013. She is the sister of **Dr. N. Warn Courtney (BH '50)**.

1959 Academy/1963 College – Sally Crookston Matecun
on the death of her mother, Elizabeth Crookston,
who died April 6 in Kalamazoo.

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1943 – Beverly A. (Tobin) Reynolds
died August 20, 2012, in Granger, In.

1958 – Kathleen (France) Krevsky
on the death of her husband, Dr. David Krevsky, April 14, 2013.

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1941 – Margaret R. (Aselin) O'Donnell
died December 8, 2009, in Newark, DE.

1944 – Helen (Moessen) Pearce
died November 21, 2012.

1945 – Norma (Scotese) Dacoba
on the death of her daughter, Rosemary D'Arienzo
who passed away November 26, 2012. Rosie's
brother, **Emilio Dacoba** is a member of the
Barbour Hall class of 1974.

1968 – Kathleen Joyce (Kern) Roberts
died April 18, 2013, in Kalamazoo.

1970 - Kay Rene (Hins) Darst-Schnell
died April 3, 2013.

1978 – Colleen (Cagney) Kerzich
died November 14, 2012.

Gene S. Booker, Nazareth College interim President, 1974,
died August 15, 2012.

St. Camillus/Borgess School of Nursing

1937 – Helen (McDorman) Cole-Morrow
died February 22, 2013, in Algonac, MI.

1946 – Elizabeth “Betty” (Beattie) Lancaster
died March 22, 2013.

1946 – Cecil Elizabeth (Hice) Dilley
died May 23, 2013.

1970 – Susan Daly Kavanaugh
on the death of her brother-in-law, Dr. Daniel E. Kavanaugh, April 12, 2013.

St. Joseph School of Nursing/Flint

1954 –Juanita Stillwell Archambault
on the death of her husband, Robert Eugene Archambault, February 22, 2013.

1955 - Joanne Ahern Sukany
on the death of her husband, Franklin “Tom” Sukany, Oct. 31, 2012, in Fenton, MI.

1962 – Susanne Chalut
died December 17, 2012 in Flint.

Deceased Members of CSJ

Memorials may be made to Congregation of St. Joseph,
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Sr. Joyce DeShano (NC '67) died December 21, 2012.

Sr. Loretta Rose Konen (NC'65) died December 13, 2012.

Sr. Anne Cooke (NC '55) died January 18, 2013.

Memorials

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Mary Varrero by Angeline Civello

Helen Durako by Jolene & Harold Scott

Mary Vermiglio Ramoge by Joseph Ramoge

Joan Nemecek by Marie Macaulay

Sister Mary Bader by Catherine Begandy

Sister Mary Bader by Aurelia Korte

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