

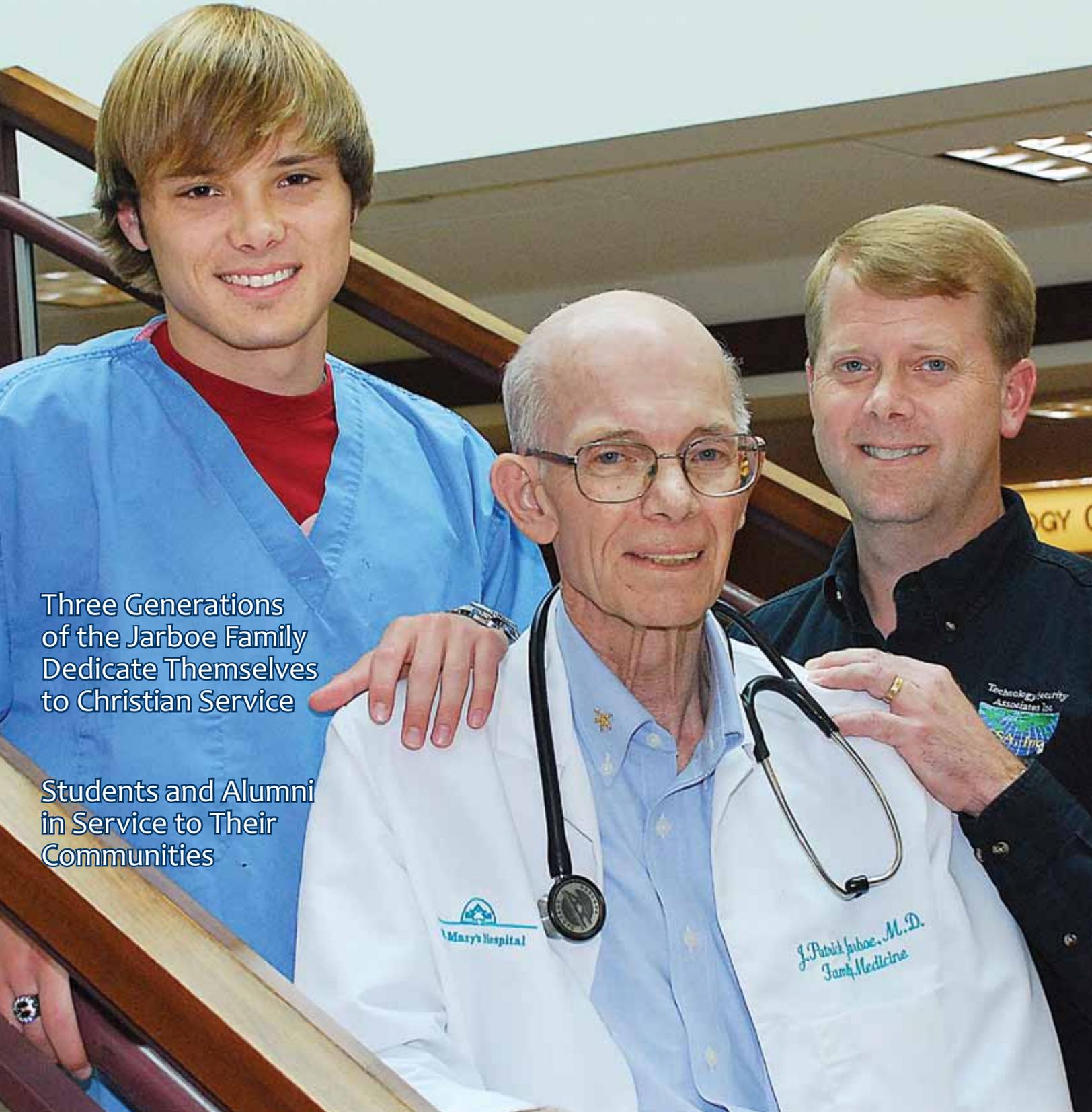


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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Alumni, Parents and Friends,

Our mission at St. Mary's Ryken is to inspire lives of learning, faith and service. And one of the hallmarks of a Xaverian Brothers school is a lifelong dedication to Christian service. In this issue of Connections, we take a look at the outstanding service our alums have dedicated themselves to throughout the world.

Our students, too, learn daily the place that community service has in their lives. Each year, they regularly complete service-oriented projects linked to the mission of the school and the Xaverian philosophy. The Class of 2010 completed 14,673 hours of Christian service over their four years – well above the 8,500 required.

Brimming with energy and positive attitudes, the students continually amaze me with their generosity and commitment to helping others. They are truly learning to fall in love with the service of God.

It has been a busy school year and the accolades for the Class of 2011 are piling up: six National Merit Commended Scholars; two National Achievement Outstanding Participants; and 22 Maryland Distinguished Scholars. Three students have been awarded ROTC scholarships and we learn of more scholarships every day.

The life of the mind and the life of the spirit are connected in every way at St. Mary's Ryken. Students learn academics, how to deepen their relationship with God and how to serve their community.

May God bless you and keep you safe.

Sincerely,

Mary Joy Hurlburt
President

Mission Statement

St. Mary's Ryken is a Catholic coeducational college preparatory school, operated under Xaverian Brothers sponsorship, committed to academic excellence and to individualized student growth in faith, moral probity, physical health, social demeanor and responsible citizenship.

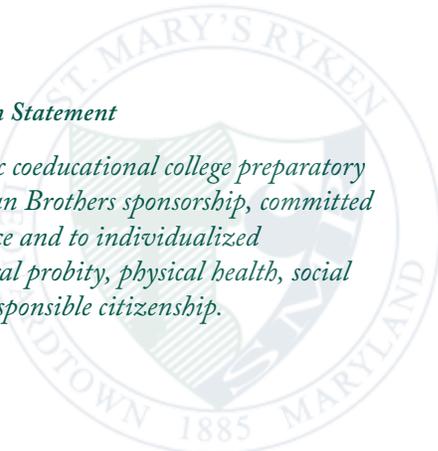


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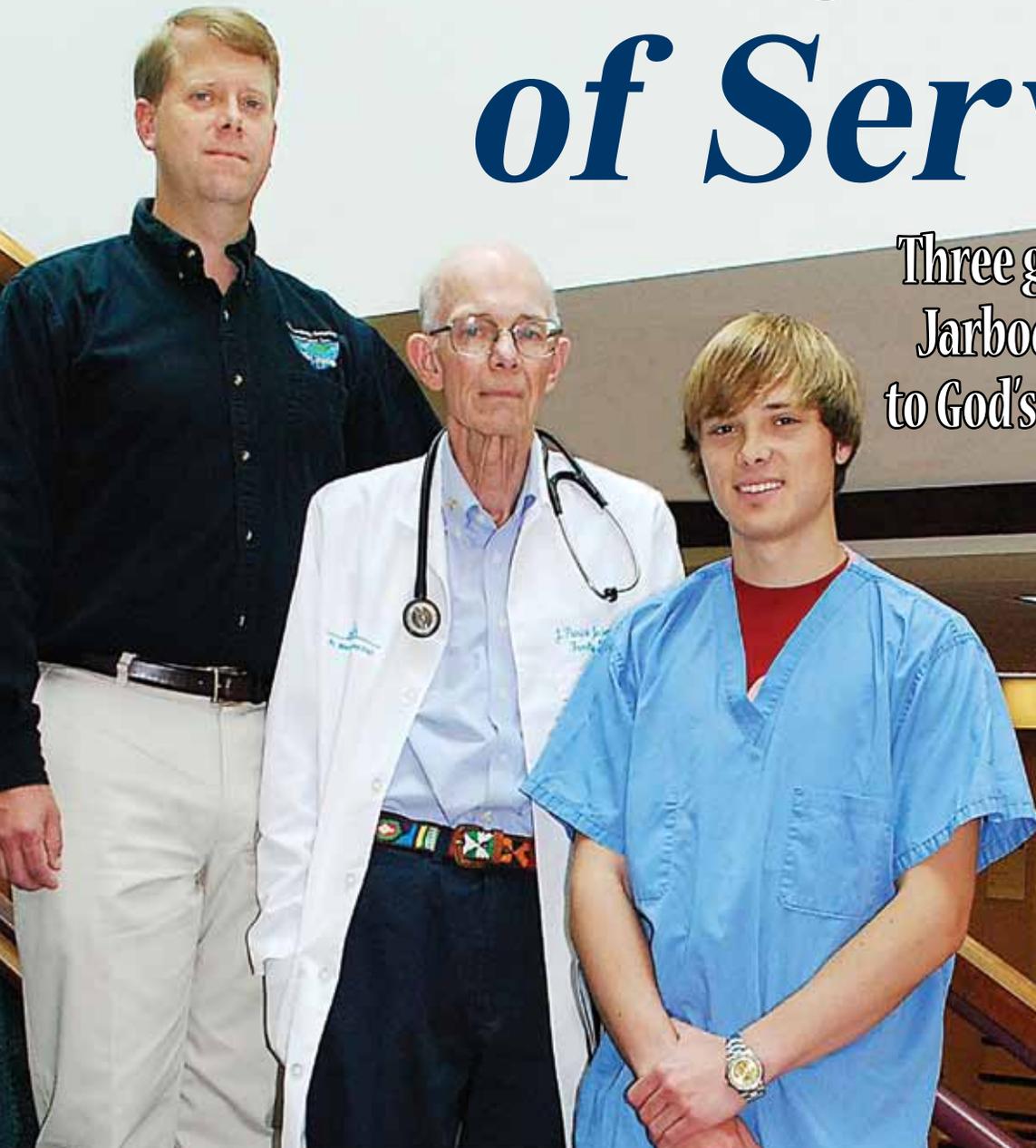
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A Lifetime of Service

Three generations of the Jarboe family "minister to God's poorest children"

By Denise Krumenacker
Director of Communications



During his freshman year at St. Mary's Ryken, Nick Jarboe went on a medical mission trip to Guatemala, where over half of the 14 million people live in severe poverty. It changed his life forever.

"The trip allowed me to really see God working through others, the gratitude of others, and the self-satisfaction that comes from assisting others' needs before your own," Nick explained. "I will always treasure each of the memories I was a part of in this great country."

For the past 20 years, Nick's grandfather, Dr. J. Patrick Jarboe '51, along with a small, volunteer band of dentists, physicians and other health professionals, has been organizing medical mission trips to Central America. The mission trips are a family affair, everyone pitches in to pack equipment and supplies, and Nick, who will graduate this year, is the third generation of Jarboes to participate.

"I have gone every year from 1990 through 2010," said Dr. Jarboe. "In two of these years, we went twice, once after Hurricane Mitch devastated Honduras. My wife, Margaret, has gone on six of these trips. Over the years, I have been accompanied by my son, Tom, and five grandchildren (out of 17). It has been a joy to introduce these young people to a different culture, where you do not have to be financially well off in order to be happy. It is also rewarding to watch the young people connect emotionally with those descendants of the Mayans."

Once in Guatemala, Nick and the group took buses and hiked to reach towns in the highland region - Chuchuca, Pasojoc, and Cuatro Caminos - where they would help for six days.

"Families walked from miles around to our camps, just so they could get the help they needed," began Nick. "In each medical group, there was one doctor, one translator, and one or two medical assistants, like myself. I was with my grandpa for most of the time - taking blood pressure, giving stickers to young children, and other medical tasks. The translator spoke the native highland language, Ki'che (the ancient Mayan language) and translated it to Spanish, which was mainly spoken in the cities and lower areas. It was primarily our job to translate

this Spanish to English - another small way in which I helped my grandpa."

"It would take a lifetime to describe everything that happened on this great adventure," Nick explains, "from watching a volcano smoke near the relentlessly active streets of Antigua, to the laying of hands and praying upon a man named Pedro, crippled by terrible pneumonia and Guillain Barre (Landrys Ascending Paralysis)."



Nick Jarboe works with a patient in Guatemala.

Nick's father, Tom Jarboe '87, who also graduated from SMR, knows that the trip "had a profound impact" on Nick. "He wanted to stay and work with the poor," Tom remembers. "I told him he could do more for them if he finished school and received advanced training. Next year, he will attend college to major in biomedical engineering and then he plans to go to medical school and follow in his grandfather's footsteps."

Those footsteps will take Nick to Guatemala or to Honduras or to wherever medical help is needed.

In 2000, Tom and Dr. Jarboe went to Honduras, where 65% of the population lives below the poverty line. "We were dropped at a small grass airstrip from a Russian-made prop plane and hiked to multiple villages over a ten-day period seeing as many sick or injured as we could," Tom begins.

Photos facing page:

Left: At the clinic in Guatemala.

Right: Tom Jarboe (center) at a clinic in Honduras.

“Being a former Coast Guardsman on a drug enforcement team, it was uncomfortable at first,” he said, “because I was used to being armed with weapons when working in and around Central America. On several occasions, we hiked right into a



Dr. Jarboe and Nick.

group of Guerillas and that made the hair on my neck stand up! But, we were all wearing missionary T-shirts that were in Spanish which had a cross on the front and [when] translated into English said ‘Jesus loves you’. I learned quickly that the cross is mightier than an M-16 and then I felt much more relieved.”

“It is a surreal environment traveling across a swamp in a dug-out canoe to meet with a terminally ill cancer patient (no Hospice House there),” recalled Tom. He also remembers “running into patients that my father treated during his last visit and watching them carry on in the harsh world they live in and smile all the time.”

“It was great having this experience with my father because he was just so completely in his element,” said Tom. The teams most recent visits have been to Guatemala to give aid to the Quiche Indians.

“If he [Dr. Jarboe] weren’t married with children, I am sure he would live in Guatemala with the Indians all the time,” said Tom. “He is just so passionate about serving the poor. He is an incredible individual and an inspiration to all of his family.”

“In general it always seemed intuitive to me that this sort of work was worthwhile,” Dr. Jarboe emphasized. “This was brought home vividly one day in Honduras. We were cleaning up after finishing clinic and a Moskito Indian woman came to the site with

one solitary chicken egg. She said it was a gift for the doctor who had no hair. Needless to say, they quickly determined who that was.”

“For me there have been many benefits from going on these trips,” Dr. Jarboe continued. “It gave me an opportunity to revisit some old skills which I no longer use in the U.S., such as suturing wounds and setting fractured bones. I learned new skills in interpersonal relationships, how to use body language to obtain patient confidence and acceptance. It is a wonderful opportunity to minister to the poorest of God’s children. It is a real privilege to work together with like- minded individuals.”

The Jarboes don’t always travel so far to help others in need. “After my first trip,” said Dr. Jarboe, “I was often asked why we had to go to another country, since there were so many poor people right here in our own neighborhood. As a result of this challenge, Health Share of St. Mary’s was founded.” Health Share provides health care at a minimal cost, is staffed by volunteers and is funded solely by private, business and corporate donations.

After Hurricane Katrina, the Jarboes traveled

“We were cleaning up after finishing clinic and a Moskito Indian woman came to the site with one solitary chicken egg. She said it was a gift for the doctor who had no hair. Needless to say, they quickly determined who that was.”

to Mississippi. Tom’s company, Technology Security Associates, and other local businesses teamed together to create the St. Mary’s Hurricane Relief Fund to send food and medical supplies to the town of D’Iberville, Mississippi.

“My father and oldest sister, Karen, led the medical team for Operation Thanksgiving Relief that year,” said Tom. “It was tricky for them to be able to do ‘mission work’ in the U.S. because each state has different licensing requirements. We were able to obtain temporary certification from the State of Mississippi to allow our Maryland-based medical team to assist down there. They set up shop in a grocery store that had the roof torn off in the storm and cared for hundreds of patients.”

What drives the Jarboe family to keep helping others at home and abroad?

“The main reason is that as Christians we are required to serve our fellow mankind, and the sick and

poor are those most obviously in need of our support," said Tom. "It also helps ground you in reality a bit to serve the poor in third world countries. Faith is much stronger there than it is here in the U.S. where we have so much. When you see people with absolutely nothing smiling and serving others without expecting anything in return, it really makes you think about the message of Christ. We have so much and our culture drives us to constantly try to improve our situation personally. I think we lose the big picture that Christ embodied in service to others. Missionaries continue Christ's mission forward."

Continuing Christ's mission is also a part of the tradition of a Xaverian education. The St. Mary's Ryken community works to instill in students a passion for justice and peace. To inspire them to continue in a life of Christian service after they graduate.

"The world owes you absolutely nothing," advises Tom. "Get over the

sense of entitlement that pervades our modern day culture. You are fortunate to be here. You will need to work hard



The doctor's "office."

throughout life to progress. There is no end to learning or working. You have been confirmed in Christ to go forth and serve others. Don't get hung up on getting advanced degrees so you can get rich and live 'the good life.' Rather, focus on getting those advanced degrees to make the world a better place, serve others and truly experience 'the good life' that Christ is leading you to."

SMR Connections

Dr. J. Patrick Jarboe graduated from St. Mary's Academy in 1951 and spent his freshman year of college at Georgetown University. Unable to finance the rest of his education there, he earned his bachelor's from the University of Maryland College Park and went on to earn his M.D. from the University of Maryland Medical School in 1959.

Tom and Shannon Jarboe, Nick's parents, graduated from St. Mary's Ryken in 1987. Tom is the chief operating officer and owner of Technology Security Associates Inc.

Nick graduates from St. Mary's Ryken this year. His brother Christian is a member of the Class of 2013 and his brother Luke will enter the eighth grade at St. Michael's in Ridge, Md., this fall.

SMR Senior Awarded \$20,000 Horatio Alger National Scholarship



Senior Emily Simmons was awarded a \$20,000 Horatio Alger Scholarship and participated in an all-expenses-paid trip in the National Scholars Conference in Washington, D.C., this past spring.

Emily, from Hollywood, Md., is one of only 104 students to receive the national scholarship awarded through the Horatio Alger Association, which gives the awards based on academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular and community service activities.

While looking ahead to becoming a DNA researcher, Emily plans to major in molecular biology at the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill this fall.

Emily is a member of the National Honor Society, a captain of the varsity field hockey team and an XBSS (Xaverian Brothers Sponsored School) steward.

Serving the Needs of Her Community

Dr. Joan Bowes Ritter '82

*By Denise Krumenacker
Director of Communications*



(left) Dr. Ritter at the Arlington Free Clinic in Arlington, Virginia, and *(above)* accepting her award from President Hurlburt.

Dr. Joan Bowes Ritter remembers fondly her years at St. Mary's Ryken. She played field hockey and tennis and was a member of the student council. But, what she remembers most was accompanying Sister Sara Ann Abell, SCN, on visits bringing Thanksgiving meals to local families in need.

"I was absolutely amazed at the extreme poverty that existed in my own community," she recalls. "I don't think I have seen anything quite like it since. Sister Sara Ann treated these people with respect and dignity when it must have been very difficult for them to receive charity."

Those visits left an indelible impression and when Dr. Ritter graduated from SMR in 1982, she started on a path that would lead her to the medical profession and a continuation of the Christian service she began in school.

She headed to Georgetown University for her undergraduate degree and, with a scholarship from the Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship

Program (HPSP), earned her M.D. from the Georgetown University School of Medicine. She was primarily stationed at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., and was at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, for two years, eventually leaving the Army with the rank of major.

She currently holds two jobs – as a general internist and director of the resident continuity clinic in the Department of Medicine at the Walter Reed, and as assistant professor at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland.

"At Walter Reed, I am a clinician-educator meaning that my time is split between seeing patients and teaching medical students and doctors in training," Dr. Ritter explains. "I enjoy teaching because the impact you have is exponential and I can positively affect the way that doctors in training care for their patients."

And somehow, with three children (11-year-old triplets) and two jobs, she finds time to serve as a volunteer physician and medical director at the Arlington Free Clinic in Arlington, Virginia.

"The clinic provides free medical care to uninsured residents who would not otherwise be able to afford care," said Dr. Ritter. "In addition to seeing patients, I work with the nursing staff to develop clinical guidelines and policies, and review labs and x-ray results ordered by other volunteer physicians. I also meet with representatives from other safety net clinics in the area to share ideas."

Dr. Ritter calls her volunteer work "a pure form of medicine. It makes me feel that I am making a difference. However, I do get a lot of intangible benefits! I also enjoy working with other physicians who provide care free of charge – they are invariably compassionate and kind and make me feel proud of my profession."

"I recently saw a patient at the free clinic with signs and symptoms that were very concerning for colon cancer. He had no insurance, was out of work and living with family members," she begins. "The patient was evaluated by a volunteer gastroenterologist and referred for surgery for colon cancer. He had surgery performed by a volunteer surgeon with anesthesia provided by a volunteer anesthesiologist – all within a month of my seeing him. What made me feel gratified was that I could see him, identify an urgent issue, and then enlist the help of an entire community of volunteer providers to get optimal care for the patient, who is now cancer-free. You can imagine what would have happened if just one of these providers had not seen him. One physician on their own is not able to do a lot – but a community organization - including nurses and support staff - that coordinates care is critical."

Dr. Ritter credits her parents with helping her choose a career. "I was not a big science person [in high school] – I liked history and English," she admits. "I remember Mrs. Martinez, Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Williamson fondly. They all had high expectations!

"My father is a retired physician and my mother trained as a nurse," she continued, "I often saw my parents helping others, using their medical and

personal skills as volunteers." All of Dr. Ritter's five siblings, as well, volunteer in their respective communities. One of her sisters is a high school vice principal, one is an attorney, one is a social worker and one works for the Humane Society. Her brother, Chris,



Dr. Ritter and her family (*from the left*): daughter Hannah; husband Scott; son Luke; daughter Caroline; Dr. Ritter; her sister, Catherine Bowes '81 ; and her parents, Helene and Dr. Joseph Bowes.

is a commercial airline pilot.

Dr. Ritter and her husband, Scott, are active members of their parish, St. Charles Borromeo, where both have taught religious education classes.

At the school liturgy in April, President Hurlburt presented Dr. Ritter with the Distinguished Alumni Award for serving as a positive role model for today's St. Mary's Ryken students.

Dr. Ritter spoke to the students about her work at Walter Reed and the clinic.

And, who knows? Perhaps there are some students who like history and English that are now thinking about medical school.

Corrections & Clarifications

- Apologies to Mr. Ronald '68 & Mrs. Patricia Sterling '73 Ridgell P'04, P'08, P'10 who should have been listed at the "Knight" giving level in the Annual Report 2009-10.
- Apologies to Mike Marlay for spelling his name as "Marley."

ANNUAL SPRING GALA

Una Bella Serata - A beautiful evening in Tuscany



Una Bella Serata: A beautiful evening in Tuscany was the theme for the 2011 St. Mary's Ryken Spring Gala,

the school's sole, major fundraiser for the year.

Over 400 tickets were sold to the March 26 event, raising over \$100,000 for the St. Mary's Ryken Fund, which provides for tuition assistance, special academic programming and technology, and meets the most pressing needs of the school and the students.

Lisa and Michael Kelley P'12, of Canards Catering and Events Production, and many parent volunteers transformed the Hollywood Volunteer Department Social Hall into the Tuscan countryside and guests danced the night away to the music of the band, *Amaretto*.

Before dinner there was time to peruse the Silent Auction tables and look over the many items included in the ever-popular Class Baskets. The auction committee brought in over 70 items for the Silent Auction.

Thank you to all who worked to make the Gala a beautiful evening in support of our students.



Co-chair Meg Gough (left), Carla Cavanaugh (center) and Co-chair Bill Gough (right).



From the left: Co-chair Nancy O'Neill, Maria Sanchez Weirich '86, Cal Weirich and Co-chair Gordon O'Neill.



Scenes from the Gala...



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Bill & Meg Gough

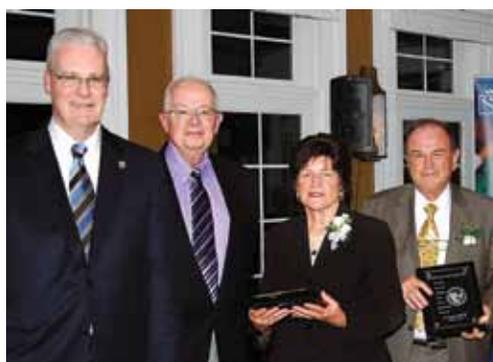
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The President's Dinner



Left: The 2011 Pillars of the Community (from left to right): Mary Ellen Heinze; Barbara Ives; Glen Ives; Ernie Bell; and Anne Bell.

Below photos:
Left (from the left): President Mary Joy Hurlburt, Brother Cornelius Hubbuch and Brother Dan Doherty. Center (from the left): Board of Directors Chairman Leonard Raley, Brother Cornelius, Anne and Ernie Bell. Right: Carl Dubac and Lucille Reuter.



At the annual President's Dinner on February 23, 2011, President Mary Joy Hurlburt honored two groups who have been instrumental to the growth and success of St. Mary's Ryken: the St. Francis Xavier Society and the Pillars of the Community. The St. X Society was formed in 1989 to recognize those individuals who demonstrate exceptional leadership and financial commitment to SMR. The Pillars of the Community are men and women recognized for their service to the community, to St. Mary's Ryken and to Catholic education.

Anne Drury Bell and J. Ernest (Ernie) Bell II

Several pages could be filled listing all of Anne's and Ernie's service to the community. They both shy away from recognition saying that "service means one really cares about their community...and makes it a better place for those who come after them."

Ernie graduated from Ryken High School, Mount St. Mary's University and Catholic University of America School of Law. He graduated with his law degree, joined the U.S. Marine Corps and married Anne on New Year's Eve – all in 1966.

Anne is a graduate of St. Mary's Academy and says that it "was both the religious and educational environment I needed for my high school years. The Sisters of Charity of Nazareth set high standards for their students."

Both are former SMR board members and currently serve on the boards of numerous local and charitable organizations.

Ernie and Anne are proud of their four sons – Joseph, Michael, Patrick and Steven - who graduated from St. Mary's Ryken and are eagerly anticipating this fall when the first of their seven grandchildren enters St. Mary's Ryken as a member of the Class of 2015.

Mary Ellen Heinze

Mary Ellen, née O'Neal, grew up in Larchmont, New York, and received her B.A. from Trinity College, in Washington, D.C. She married the late F. George Heinze III and raised seven children, five of whom are graduates of RHS, SMA and SMR: Mary, Catherine, Megan, George, Ralph, Christian and Gretchen.

Mary Ellen served for thirty years as a teacher and director of religious education at St. Mary, Newport. She has been recognized with the "Manifesting the Kingdom" award and the Medal of Merit from the Archdiocese of Washington.

She serves as chairperson of the annual F. George Heinze III Golf Classic for the American Red Cross and spends time keeping up with her twelve grandchildren; one is a graduate of St. Mary's Ryken, three currently attend and two more will attend soon.

Barbara and Glen Ives

Since their arrival in Southern Maryland ten years ago, both Glen and Barbara Ives have continued their tradition of service and have become active members of the community, serving on the boards of many local organizations.

Barbara is a member of the first class of women graduates at the United States Naval Academy. She serves as the dean of academics at SMR, and has recently earned her second master's degree, in administration and supervision.

Barbara has accrued numerous accolades for her dedication to education including the 2007 Veteran Teacher of the Year award from the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C., and selection to the approved list of science fair judges in three states for the Office of Naval Research.

Glen is a graduate of the Naval Academy and the U.S. Army War College. He served as the Commander of Patuxent River Naval Air Station until his retirement in 2008 with 30 years of service in the Navy. During his career, he was recognized with many awards including the U.S. Navy League Outstanding Leadership Award.

Their three sons – Glen Christopher, Matthew and Jack – are graduates of St. Mary's Ryken.



Above: The SMR Show Choir received a standing ovation at the dinner. Left: Soloist Brianna Brophy

BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPOTLIGHT

Carolyn Williamson earned her M.A. from Johns Hopkins University and embarked on a 40-year teaching career. She began teaching English and French to grades 6-12 in public schools, and, in 1978, arrived at Ryken High School as a member of the English department.



The 1980s brought many changes to Southern Maryland and to the school. "When I arrived, Ryken was an all-boys school on a modular schedule," Carolyn begins. "The school had recently moved away from individual work with packets, a curriculum that had been in place during the 1970s. With the...opening of St. Mary's Ryken, the atmosphere changed dramatically, moving from a comfortable, all-boys school to a more modern, competitive, coed environment."

Carolyn Williamson taught at Ryken High School from 1978-81 and at St. Mary's Ryken from 1981-1999. She was selected as a "Pillar of the Community" in 2008.

Carolyn received the XBSS Educator of the Year award in 1987 and retired from teaching in 1999. In 2002, she became a member of the board at SMR.

In her free time, she tries her hand at many "interesting possibilities" and finds herself "not mastering anything, but having a great deal of fun. I hike, travel, read, sew, knit (sometimes), cook, garden (happily, but with questionable results), correspond with far-flung friends, tutor...Retirement is good."

"Both of my children are SMR graduates, I am proud to say," Carolyn avers. "Maude was a member of the first graduating class in 1982. Her brother, Walt, followed in the class of 1984."

"It is the community of SMR, the feeling of family and caring for one another that has always set this school apart from other larger, more institutional schools," she explains. "Students, faculty and staff are kind, accepting and respectful, which are qualities essential for a civilized world, but often missing. It is SMR's foundation in the Catholic faith and the Xaverian Brothers' charisma of simplicity, trust, zeal, compassion and humility that make the school stand out."

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Students Learning to Live Lives of Faith & Service

- Six students competed and were awarded top scores at the Maryland Music Educators Association state solo and state ensemble competitions in Baltimore. (A “1” is the highest score.)

- Megan Heavner I
- Brianna Brophy I
- Cori Eisele I
- Emily Grace II
- Taylor Hayes II
- Patricia Winchester I

- Lance Casimir, Thomas Krumenacker and Dominic Wilkins earned first place in Global Business at the FBLA Maryland state conference. The team will represent SMR at the national FBLA competition in Orlando, Fla., this summer.

- Clare Tennant (freshman, flute) and Matthew Brown (sophomore, clarinet) earned spots in the 2011 Washington Archdiocese Music Teachers Council Honor Band.

- The SMR Concert Band won first place at the Fiesta-val Invitational Music Competition. Sophomore Nick Dowdle was awarded an Outstanding Soloist Award for his trumpet solo on “The Red Balloon.”

- Kudos to Melana Krivitsky and Emily Attick for their performance at the Folger Shakespeare Library’s Secondary School Shakespeare Festival. They received the “Show Must Go On” award. Melana and Emily rose to the challenge and performed with a day’s notice, receiving a standing ovation for their efforts.

- Sophomore JoAnna Mueller and Juniors Neil Burke and Kalin Hanson are winners in the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America essay contest. They will attend the national conference in Washington, D.C., this summer.



Above and right: It took both mini-buses to get all of the donations from the Easter Food Drive to the Helping Hands Food Pantry in Hollywood, Md. Over 2,400 items and \$550 were donated. The food drive is one component of Project X - a social justice awareness project that students complete in their junior year. Project X includes the Food Fast, Operation Rice Bowl, Fair Trade candy sales and the Easter Food Drive.



Left photo: Over 30 students, faculty and staff joined in the “Christmas in April” program this year. Volunteers gather one Saturday in April to tend to repairs of several homes of senior citizens or low income residents so they may live in warmth, safety and independence.

- Congratulations to robotics team members Karl Herr and Michael Lopez for being part of the local schools alliance team at the regional level of the VEX Robotics Challenge. The team took home the 2011 Tournament Champions medal.

The entire SMR team configured four different robots for this year’s competitions:

- Marty Bell
- Matthew Dowdle
- Harrison Even
- Albert Larson
- Shannon McPartland
- Brandon Medford
- Joey Medialdea
- James Moore

James Plummer
Chris Sydnor
Kenny Zenthoefner

- Students caught the poetry bug and 16 performed during the national Poetry Out Loud competition at the school. Three students – Cori Eisele, Kane Roland and Alex Wyvill – advanced to the regional completion and senior Kane Roland went on the state competition.

- Irene Grosmeier received second place in the 2011 General Federation of Women’s Clubs, St. Mary’s County, district art competition.

Some of the community service activities for the 2010-11 year:

- Thanksgiving Food Drive
- Desserts for Sailors
- Santa Knight program “adopted” 60 children
- Clothing Drive
- Faculty and Staff Service Day
- Two Red Cross blood drives
- Christmas Baby Shower
- Pregnancy Care Center Dinner
- Students served as Science Fair Judges and retreat leaders for area Catholic middle schools
- Easter Food Drive
- 24-hour Food Fast
- Christmas in April

Mock Trial Team Wins 7th Circuit Championship for Fourth Year Running

For the fourth, consecutive year, St. Mary's Ryken Mock Trial team came home with the title of 7th Circuit Champions. They defeated a team from DeMatha High School to reach the "Elite 8" round, but were unable to best a strong team from the Park School in Baltimore County to reach the "Final Four."

Senior John Houser has been on the team for his entire high school career and was again voted "Best Overall Attorney" in the circuit for the second consecutive year.

Mock trials are held in actual courtrooms with a real, volunteer judge presiding. Students take on the roles of attorneys, plaintiffs, defendants and witnesses. This year's case explored issues of teen driving, underage alcohol use and negligence. Under the tutelage of their coaches, the SMR team prepared both a prosecution and a defense of the case.

For this State of Maryland competition, teams are divided into eight circuits and SMR competes in the seventh along with schools from Prince George's, Charles, Calvert and St. Mary's counties. This year, 135 teams from around the state competed in the program.

Mr. Samuel Baldwin, Esq., has helped coach the Mock Trial team for the past six years. "The students at St. Mary's Ryken are smart and eager students," he said, "so I know my efforts are appreciated...in a selfish way, Mock Trial gives me an escape from real life litigation. It's fun. I refer to this team as 'my other law firm'."

Congratulations to the team and - aside from John who heads to Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Virginia, this fall to major in politics - we hope to see all of them back next year: Elohe Dereje, Ramon Gonzalez-Cela, John Houser, Ryan Kelley, Chelsea Lollar, Rachel Murree, Alicia Snellings and Alex Wyvill.



Ryan Kelley (left), John Houser (center) and Elohe Dereje (right) strategize during a session of the Mock Trial Competition. Kelley earned the award for "Best Defense Attorney" and Houser for "Best Overall Attorney."

MR. STEVE KUPKA RECEIVES THE 2010 THEODORE RYKEN AWARD

Trying to describe Mr. Steve Kupka in a few paragraphs is difficult.

Mr. Kupka has been a theology teacher at St. Mary's Ryken for the past eight years, but his mentoring of students doesn't end at the classroom.



In December, St. Mary's Ryken presented him with the Theodore Ryken Award. Named in honor of the Xaverian Brothers' founder, the award recognizes an individual for his or her commitment to Ryken's vision and dedication to an XBSS school.

One of the hallmarks of a class with Mr. Kupka is that some of his greatest lessons are taught not from a textbook, but from his life experiences. One of his students said, "Mr. Kupka helped me with learning about life and I like getting him off track with his stories." What students slowly realize is that "getting off track" really was just a different track to the same lesson.

Mr. Kupka, who talks to his mother every day, is the moderator of the Key Club, the Kiwanis club's student service organization, and frequently takes student groups on mission trips to the Romero Center in Camden, New Jersey, one of the poorest areas in the United States.

Before signing on at SMR, he flew helicopters for the U.S. Navy. Teaching and flying, he says, have many things in common, including the fact that "some days you just have to fly by the seat of your pants."

Frequently, Mr. Kupka can be seen, camera in hand, chaperoning dances, cheering for the students at games and participating in the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. In fact, many of his photos have appeared in this magazine and on the school's website and Facebook page.

Mr. Kupka truly embodies the mission of the school and a Xaverian education teaching students the academics along with the values of compassion, humility, simplicity, trust and zeal.

Coach Lindsay Sipos Looks Back on the Inaugural Season of the SMR Swim Team



It was a busy fall for Lindsay Sipos. About a month after her wedding, the newlywed agreed to take on the job of not only coaching a swim team at St. Mary's Ryken, but also starting the team from scratch.

Her biggest challenge to forming the team was building a talent base.

"It took us a solid three to four weeks of practice to really start building the skills needed to be competitive," she said. "There was a lot of me teaching kids how to swim two or even three of the standard strokes."

During the winter sports season, Lindsay finds herself getting out of bed each morning at 4:30 a.m.

"I am up at 4:30 to be at work by 5:30 a.m., so I can

make it to practice by 3 p.m.," says Lindsay, who works at the Patuxent Naval Air Station as a flight test engineer on the CH-53K program.

She credits her husband, Mark, with making her hectic schedule possible. "Mark had to pick up a lot of the household chores... because two nights a week after practice, I teach swimming lessons. There are nights that I am not getting home until 7 p.m. and then I am in bed by 8 p.m. to get up and do it all over again the next day."

The SMR swim team had 36 students (22 girls and 14 boys), finished the season with a 7-4 record and had four swimmers qualify for the National Catholic High School Swimming Championship in Philadelphia: Sarah Gardiner, Kiley Hartigan, Ashlin Rondeau and Keara Schmeiser.

At the Nationals, all swam in the 200-yard medley relay and were able to make it to finals and finish the meet with a time of 2:06.17 (10th overall).

"We had an amazing season...remarkable for a team of 36 kids. Some of the teams we were swimming against had 90-100 kids on them."

Coach Sipos looks forward to having the entire team qualify for the Nationals next year. "I cannot wait for next season to start and to see the new talent that is coming to get into my pool."



Team photos from the fall and winter 2010 alumni games



Class of 1960



Rita White '60 and Lou Holden married on November 27, 2010, at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Compton, Md.

Class of 1971

Richard B. Miller '71 recently published his fourth book, *Terror, Religion, and Liberal Thought* (NY: Columbia University Press, 2010). Mr. Miller is a professor of religious studies and director of the Poynter Center for the Study of Ethics and American Institutions at Indiana University.

Class of 1973

William R. Cullins III '73 recently was selected by the board of directors of the Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative (SMECO) to complete the term of director. Cullins is the president and part owner of Cullins Trucking and vice president and part owner of Wicomico Grain Elevator. He is a member of the St. Mary's County Chamber of Commerce and the Seventh District Optimist Club. He has three daughters.



Dr. David Myers '73 and Katya Romanchenko Myers wed at St. Mary's Church in Annapolis in June 2010. Many alums attended: Jan Colleary Timmer '73, Judith Hewitt Sterling '73, Douglas Errington '73, William Johnson '73, Charles Murphy '73, David Sides '74 and Jamie Boyd '67. Richard Paradis '73 served as an attendant in the wedding party.

Class of 1982

Ann Marie Cullen '82, RN, CCRN, graduated from Johns Hopkins University in May 2010 with a master of science in nursing. Her focus was clinical nurse specialist in acute care and on health systems management. She currently works in the NCIII Cardiology Care unit at Johns Hopkins Hospital and is the educator for the unit.

Class of 1997



Stephanie Green Flick '97, husband, Jeff, and big sister, Marshall Grace, welcomed Robert Brooks Flick, on Jan. 24, 2011.

Class of 1998

Karen Carpenter '98 announces her engagement to John Richard Shifflett.

Alicia Lisa Moreland-Petr '98 and husband, John Petr, welcomed their son, Marshall James Petr, on Dec. 9, 2010.

Class of 1999

Jonathon Roberts '99 and Erin Kauffman welcomed their first child, Colton Roberts, on Dec. 27th, 2010.

Class of 2000



(left) Mary Beth Griffin Drury '00 and Joe Drury '85 welcomed son, Griffin Drury, on May 19, 2010.

Zach Richards '00 and wife, Jennifer, welcomed their daughter Emily Christine Richards on Feb. 16, 2011.

Shannon Schmidt '00 announces her engagement to Jeff Croisetiere.

Class of 2001

Patrick "Pat" Christensen '01 announces his engagement to Karen Margolies.

Kristi Murphy Parker '01 and Joe Parker '00 welcomed their fourth child, Timothy Edelen Parker, on Jan. 17, 2011.

Kelly Rhodes '01 and Sean Bean are engaged and have set a wedding date of Sept. 24, 2011.

Class of 2002



(left) Katie Bellezza '02 announces her engagement to Mike Jungman.

(right) Morgan Green '04 and Chris Valeski will marry on Sept. 17th, 2011, in Nags Head, North Carolina.



Class of 2004

Christopher Barrows '04 announces his engagement to Julie Ann Studds. Both are employed with the Charles County Sheriff's office.

Loren Taylor '04 and Peter Stauffer '04 announce their engagement and have set a wedding date of June 4, 2011.

Christina Fazio '04 and James Bennett '03 were married on May 7, 2011.

Class of 2004



Natalia Rose Fugate '04 earned a business degree from the University of Mary Washington in 2008 and married Robert Harris in May 2009. Rob

graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy. The couple spent their first year together at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif. Rob earned his master's in mechanical engineering and Natalia worked at the Monterey Tennis Club, coached a high school tennis team and played competitively in USTA team tennis.

They are now stationed at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, and Natalia manages the Naval Museum store. Their next duty station will be the Navy Nuclear School in Charleston, South Carolina.

(right) Emily Schmidt '04 married Robert "Robbie" Bailey on February 19, 2011.



Class of 2006

Maureen Claire Walker '06 is training to be an English teacher Peace Corps volunteer in Panama. She earned a bachelor of art degree in English in 2010. "I volunteered in Costa Rica through Cross Cultural Solutions. This experience opened my eyes and showed me that this is what I want to do," Maureen said.

Class of 2007

Helena Yates '07 is an intern in the marketing department of the College of Southern Maryland and is working towards her bachelor of science in business administration at Towson University.

Janko Kajtez '07, a senior at Hampden-Sydney College was inducted into the Phi Beta Kappa honor society. He is a Patrick Henry Scholar and a member of the honorary society Chi Beta Phi (science), the International Club and the Society of Physics Students.

Class of 2009

Devin DelRizzo '09 recently graduated from eight weeks of classroom and hands on training at the Performance Instruction & Training facility in Mooresville, North Carolina, and will begin a career in the motor sports industry as an over-the-wall, pit crew athlete.

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| James Blair '54
February 12, 2011 | Elizabeth Norris Sine '58
September 22, 2010 |
| Mary Higgs Ferguson '32
January 13, 2011 | Grace Ellis Stabler '52
February 26, 2011 |
| Katherine Mattingly Frazier '63
April 11, 2011 | Marion Dunbar Sterling
April 9, 2011 |
| Maria Briscoe Gardiner '44
March 7, 2011 | Frances Wilkinson Sullivan '58
December 17, 2010 |
| Elisabeth Beyer Herberg
February 11, 2011 | Miriam Drury Thompson '30
January 11, 2011 |
| Brendan Kramme '00
February 27, 2011 | Blaine Whorl '02
November 1, 2010 |
| John McCoy '61
January 17, 2011 | Mary Owens Wood '62
October 15, 2010 |
| Carrie Aldridge Murray '80
March 3, 2011 | |



Grace Mary Ellis Stabler, of Abell, Md., died February 26, 2011. She graduated from St. Mary's Academy in 1952 and worked as a technical librarian at the Patuxent River Naval Air Station and then as a media specialist for 30 years at Bethune and Dynard Elementary schools.

Mrs. Stabler was active at Holy Angels Sacred Heart School and St. Mary's Ryken over the 25 years her five children attended: playing the organ at the elementary school's weekly Mass and working with the SMR athletic boosters club. In the community, she was a long-time volunteer at the local soup kitchen.

At her parish of Holy Angels, she was the church's organist for over 50 years, beginning when she was in the 7th grade. For her service to the parish, she was awarded the Order of Merit by Cardinal Theodore McCarrick in 2003.



Miriam Drury Thompson, who graduated from St. Mary's Academy in 1930, died January 11, 2011. Her love of music, learned at the Academy, lasted throughout her life as a member of a noted swing band playing Friday nights for several years at Duke's upstairs in Leonardtown, then at St. John's in Hollywood in the choir, plus teaching at her home. Her Catholic religion and culture, also nurtured at the Academy, was her lifelong calling and her nine children were educated in Catholic schools. Her dedication has carried over to many of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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Athletic Hall of Fame

Nine new members were inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame during the Alumni Reunion Weekend last fall (standing, from the left): Dr. David Myers '73; Herbert "Herbie" Smith '69; Nathan Costa '95; John Sothoron, boys lacrosse coach; and Jeff Worcester '77, girls lacrosse coach; (seated, from the left) Jessica Guy Bowles '99; Patricia Usilton Bowes '61; Amanda Gillam Lovato '90; and Derk Droze '90.



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Alumni Class Agents

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RHS '61 Charles Mattingly III David Mattingly	RHS '80 Jon Eichel	SMA '54 Richard Edwards	SMA '68 Laura Mattingly Roberts	SMR '84 Patricia Bohanan Husain	Bateman
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