



## The Michaelight (April 2016)

Saint Michael Academy Alumnae Association (SMAAA)

*"Round his flag we'll rally ever. Nothing can our union sever."*



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### Saint Michael Academy Mission Statement

Rooted in the Catholic tradition and Spirit of the Presentation Sisters, the mission of Saint Michael Academy was to educate young

## Reunion 2016

# Save the Date!

All SMA Alumnae are Invited to  
Reunion 2016

Sit-Down Luncheon

*(This year, less "brunch-y" more "lunch-y"!)*

Saturday, September 24  
at the Fillmore Room

Put it on your calendar in **RED!**  
Details will be forthcoming.

women in a loving and caring community, assisting each to develop her unique gifts and talents to live a fully Christian life.

## Trip to the Mount

### New York Times Article

After more than a century on the West Side of Manhattan, St. Michael Academy had assumed the traits of some of its best students: cash poor, underestimated by peers, capable of defying expectations with breathtaking regularity...[\(read more\)](#)

### SMAAA Board of Directors

#### Lorraine Pogan Shef '64

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#### Maria Pani '74

*(Treasurer - Association & Charitable Foundation)*

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#### Eileen Roether '63

#### Noreen White Rogan, '60

#### Patti Wu '70



There's Still Time to Join Us at the Mount  
If You Hurry!

*(Pre-registration & payment are required by April 11)*

**Saturday, April 23, 2016**

Mount St. Joseph

84 Presentation Way

New Windsor, NY 12553

11:30 AM - 3:00 PM

\$25 for Luncheon

Approximately 20 of the Sisters will be joining us for the luncheon, or just to visit.

Two of our former faculty will be joining us - Richard Opesso and William Rello!

**You can mail payment (\$25) to Jeanne Billings (6 Greenacres Avenue, Scarsdale, NY 10583) or pay via Paypal. [Click here for details.](#)**

If you are willing to drive a carpool or need a carpool let us know.

Many of you responded to our January survey that you are interested in driving a carpool or need a carpool. We are willing to put drivers in contact with carpoolers and vice versa. When you send your payment, please let us know if

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we may give your contact info to someone needing a driver or willing to drive a carpool. Many of those who initially expressed interest in attending live near each other. We will give your info only to someone who lives near you or will be on the route to the Mount.

Please respond as soon as possible as the deadline for payment is near. We want to enable everyone who needs a ride to have the opportunity to attend.

For those of you who are driving, [click here for directions](#).

Reminder: the prior site of the Mount was sold. The sisters are now on adjacent property. Access to the cemetery is permitted for those who want to visit those now only here in spirit.



### Tax Information

Contributions made (including any dues paid) to the Saint Michael Academy Alumnae Association, Inc. are not deductible for Federal income tax purposes.

## All On Board!

Questions? Comments?

Write to us at...

[SMAAANYC@gmail.com](mailto:SMAAANYC@gmail.com)



**Nominations for the SMAAA Board of Directors**

In June, we will hold elections for membership on the SMAAA Board of Directors. If you are a member of the SMAAA who is current with your dues and would like to be considered for election, please contact us at [SMAAANYC@gmail.com](mailto:SMAAANYC@gmail.com) no later than April 29, 2016. The Corporation generally holds monthly Board meetings (on varying weekdays) in mid-town Manhattan which begin at 6:00 p.m. Directors are expected to attend in person, although they can occasionally attend by telephone if needed. If you have any questions, please contact [SMAAANYC@gmail.com](mailto:SMAAANYC@gmail.com) and someone will get back to you.

## Reunion 2015

### In Case You Missed It...



## Reunion 2015

[Please click on this link](#)

to be taken to the photos from  
last year's all class reunion  
at The Fillmore Room!

**Dues are Due!**



April Showers Bring...

April Dues Payments, Of Course!

Join the SMAAA, or continue your membership,  
by sending in your dues ASAP!

Your annual dues enable us to keep the spirit of SMA alive through our newsletter, our website, our reunions and our charitable outreach. Your dues go toward covering our operating expenses. This emailed newsletter costs money (approximately \$400/year), mailings cost money (last year's reunion mailing cost us close to \$1,000), just being in existence costs money (filing fees, website fees, etc.)

To remain a voting member of the SMAAA you must renew your membership annually. **Please become a member of the SMAAA, or renew your existing membership, by [clicking on this link](#) to fill out a "dues payment" form, and sending it along with your check for \$25 to:**

**Jeanne Billings**  
6 Greenacres Avenue  
Scarsdale, NY 10583

**Please make your check payable to "SMAAAA." (Please note that teachers and administrators can also be voting members by paying dues.)**

We would appreciate it if you would forward this email to all of your SMA classmates and/or post it to your Facebook page. ("Nothing can our union sever!")

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See that little blue facebook icon at the top of this newsletter? (It's waaaay up there, in the middle, above the header.) Please click on it and "send" us to your facebook page, so that your SMA friends can know we exist. Odds are that they will want to join the SMAAA, read all the news about their classmates, and plan for an upcoming reunion. One little click is all it takes. Thanks!



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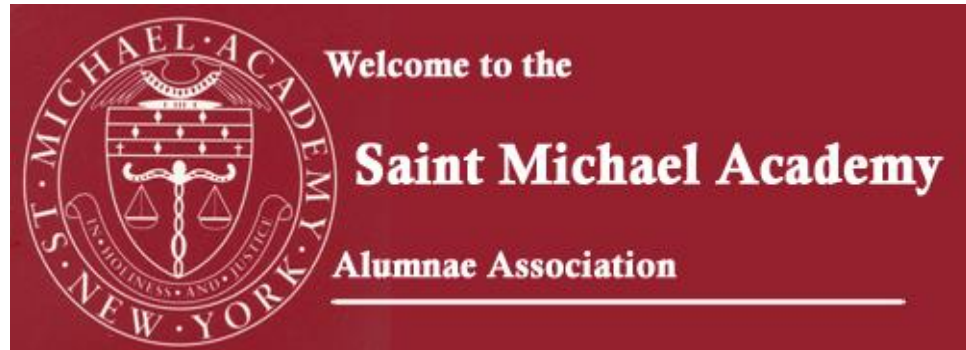
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## Facebook



Just click on this Facebook button (above) to be taken to the official Facebook page of the St. Michael Academy Alumnae Association. And please "like" us!

## Website



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or

[www.SaintMichaelAcademy.nyc](http://www.SaintMichaelAcademy.nyc)

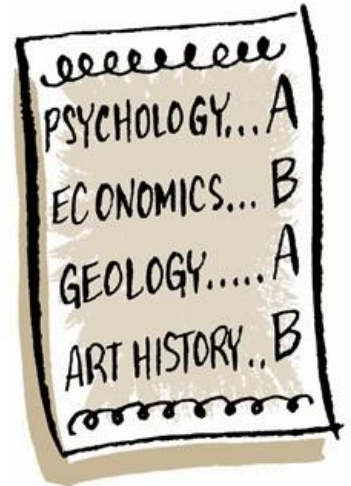
and let the good times roll!

Make sure to register, so that you can begin to connect with your classmates. Read past newsletters and keep current with all of the SMAAA news.

## Archived Newsletters

Are you new to "The Michaelight"? If you are interested in reading past editions, please visit our website ([www.saintmichaelacademy.com](http://www.saintmichaelacademy.com)), click on "Newsletters" and catch up on what you've missed! While you're there, please register. By doing that, you can start to connect with your classmates. "See" you there!

Need your school transcript?  
[Contact the Church of St. Michael.](#) Please call Kenya in the St. Michael Parish Office (212-563-2547 or -2575) and she will assist you!




## Sisters of the PBVM

*Might We Suggest...*  
that those of you who would like to ensure the legacy of Saint Michael Academy do so by [giving a donation to the Presentation Sisters](#). Please send your contribution directly to the Sisters' motherhouse, and note in the memo line that it is an SMA Donation:







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84 Presentation Way  
New Windsor, NY 12553-4949*