



# The Michaelight (August 2012)

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

## 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

## Reunion 2012

Saint Michael Academy Alumnae Association

*cordially invites you to*

**REUNION 2012**

*celebrating the graduating classes ending in "2" and "7"*

*and honoring the graduating classes of*

*1962 and 1987*

Saturday, September 29, 2012

1:00 - 5:00 PM

Harbour Lights

Pier 17

3rd Floor

South Street Seaport

New York, NY 10038



students: cash poor,  
underestimated by peers,  
capable of defying  
expectations with  
breathtaking  
regularity...(read more)

Please join us for a luncheon complete with  
wine, beer and soda

**\*Reservations: \$75 per person**

**SMAAA Board of  
Directors**

**Lorraine Pogan Shaf '64**  
(President - Association &  
Charitable Foundation)

**Blanca Camacho '74**  
(VP - Association)

**Jessica Libroia '87**  
(VP - Charitable  
Foundation)

**Mary O'Hara '62**  
(VP - Charitable  
Foundation)

**Jeanne Boyd Billings '74**  
(Secretary - Association &  
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**Maria Pani '74**  
(Treasurer - Association &  
Charitable Foundation)

**Sharon Duritzo '72**

**Mary Krulis '49**

**Genevieve O'Hare '47**

**Patti Wu '70**

Invitations have been mailed to the anniversary classes,  
but if you have not received one, you can still make your reservation  
by sending your check (made payable to "SMAAA"), contact  
information and class year to:

Jeanne Billings  
SMAAA  
6 Greenacres Avenue  
Scarsdale, NY 10583

Our reunions are open to all alumnae, regardless of graduation year. If  
you are able to gather your friends, please join us for lunch on Saturday,  
September 29th. The more the merrier!

South Street Seaport is currently served by the M15 New York City Bus route.  
The Fulton Street station complex (2 3 4 5 ACJZ trains) is the closest New York  
City Subway station. [Click here for more directions.](#)

South Street Seaport is a six minute (0.3 mi.) walk from the Fulton Street subway  
station. When you come up from the subway, walk southeast on Fulton street until you  
reach the South Street Seaport. Harbour Lights is toward the end of the pier, on the  
left.

For more information, email [SMAAANYC@aol.com](mailto:SMAAANYC@aol.com)

\*Physical tickets will not be issued.

Your reservation will be held at the door.

(Harbour Lights and Pier 17 are handicapped accessible.)

## Who's Coming to the Reunion?

# Join Our Mailing List

 JOIN OUR MAILING LIST



## **Tax Information**

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

Last year, we had 80+ people attend our first SMAAA organized reunion. We expect an even bigger turnout this year. Don't forget to make your reservation early. These people already have...

1947 Genevieve	Ryan	O'Hare
1949 Mary		Krulis
1952 Agnes	Kiernan	Larson
1954 Sr. Kathleen		Cusack
1957 Patricia	Fallon	Cash
1957 Barbara		McCabe
1959 Bridget	Sullivan	Atkinson
1962 Jennifer	Freyone	Brinch
1962 Sr. Mary		Byrnes
1962 Sr. Theresa		Doran
1962 Joanne		Grim
1962 Carol	Berger	Gust
1962 Sr. Eleanor		Joyce
1962 Mildred		Kilimet
1962 Peggy	Barrett	Kudlac
1962 Eileen		Matthews
1962 Mary		O'Hara
1962 Maryanne		Raynor
1962 Patricia	McHugh	Redican
1962 Cheryl	Obey	Robinson
1963 Eileen		Roether
1964 Lorraine	Pogan	Shef
1967 Natalie	Panella	Ambrose
1967 Annie	Gonzalez	Vece

1968 Helen		Armstrong
1970 Patti		Wu
1972 Sharon		Duritzo
1974 Jeanne	Boyd	Billings
1977 Rosemarie	Magee	Mulroy
1987 Jessica		Libroia
1987 Eileen		Lopez
1987 Maria	Martinez	Piszko
1987 Sheila		Santiago

## Where Are Our Teachers???



We got this email from Anna Ramirez-Adam (Class of '71) recently...

*Thank you for all you have done. It is really great keeping in touch with our "sisters". One of the subjects which keeps coming up is that of finding our teachers. I know I have wonderful memories and would love to share my experiences with my high school teachers. Please advise on how I can get in touch with some of them.*

Unfortunately, we have very little information on all of our teachers. When the school closed, most of that information was lost to us. Except for some of the [Presentation Sisters who live in Newburgh](#), and a few teachers who are also alums, we are in the dark as much as you are.

Are you or any of your friends in touch with any of our teachers? Do you have contact information for them? Do you think that they would like to get our emailed newsletter and invitations to our reunions? If so, please write to us at [SMAAANYC@aol.com](mailto:SMAAANYC@aol.com) and let us know. We would LOVE to keep in touch.

(You might also encourage a teacher to go to [SaintMichaelAcademy.com](http://SaintMichaelAcademy.com) and register. Anyone who is registered there can email anyone else who is registered there. And the email addresses remain hidden to everyone. Just a thought!)

## Attention Class of '49!

### Calling the Class of 1949!

*We, the class of 1949, are thinking about the reunion of the 7/2 groups and are interested in joining the fun. We are looking for any of our year who would be interested in joining us for the Sept 29th 2012 Saturday reunion at Harbour Lights Pier 17 South Street Seaport NYC to get in touch with Joan Smith (nee)Laffey email [juggy27@yahoo.com](mailto:juggy27@yahoo.com) or Mary Mullins (nee)Moriarty email [mullmt@yahoo.com](mailto:mullmt@yahoo.com). Mary Krulis, one of our classmates, is on the Board of Directors. If you know of any other 1949ers we would be glad to hear from them. Thanks.*

Mary Mullins and Joan Smith

## Annual Dues

**Support the efforts of the SMAAA by becoming a member!**

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

To remain a member of the SMAAA you must renew your membership annually. Please become a member of the SMAAA, or renew your existing membership, by sending this year's **\$25 dues** to:

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

Please make your **check payable to "SMAAA"** and don't forget to include your updated contact information with your payment.

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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## Let Us Help YOU!

Planning a gathering with your classmates? Email us the details at [SMAAANYC@aol.com](mailto:SMAAANYC@aol.com) and we will help you get the word out. We are here to help you with your efforts to connect, but we can't do that if you don't keep us in the loop!

## Passings





We received word from her daughter, Dianne Kaiser, that Mary (Nallan) Kaiser (Class of '47) past away on April 11, 2012.

We received word from her daughter, Marianne Mazzarella, that Grace (Walsh) Mazzarella (Class of '42) "went to heaven on 9-7-08. My mother always spoke fondly of her days at St. Michael's."

Our reunion invitation to Patricia Maloney Johansson (Class of '57) was returned to us with a note on it saying that she was deceased.

## SMA ...The Lost



Please help us find current physical (and email) addresses for the following SMA alums in the "2" and "7" anniversary year classes whose invitations have been returned to us as "undeliverable" ...

1947 Diana		Conti
1947 Mary	McGovern	Fitzgerald
1947 Sr. Anne		Fleming, RSM
1947 Mary		McCabe
1947 Francis		Rice
1952 Patricia	Kennedy	Byrne
1952 Alice		Mahoney
1952 Rosemary	McNaughton	O'Brien
1952 Mary	Curran	Rooney
1957 Louise		Kott
1957 Sr. Carol		Melsopp, PBVM
1962 Madeline	Coughlin	MacKinnon
1962 Sr. Patricia		Reills, PBVM
1962 Eileen	Wynn	Tahala

1967 Mary Anne	Jowdy	Bevilacqua
1967 June	Serenson	Butler
1967 Catherine		Ciaccio
1967 Joan	Fitzpatrick	Fitzsimons
1967 Helen	Salas	Hogan
1967 Lillian		Piro
1967 Laura	Barone	Vallone
1972 Luisa	Jorge	Breton
1972 Regina	Quattrone	Gilmartin
1972 Sally		Hagan
1972 Sandra	Rivera	Molina
1972 Ericka		Sanders
1972 Charlotte	Grippe	Schwatzo
1972 Kathleen	Armstrong	Young
1977 Iveliz		Colon
1977 Theresa		Galvin
1977 Gregoria	Diaz	Gonzalez
1977 Barbara		Senature
1977 Patricia	Getchell	Tesher
1982 Ileana	Goyenechea	Hallinan
1982 Jean	Leal	Heun
1987 Doreen		Carbone
1987 Alane		Caridi
1987 Catherine		Gurrado
1987 Mayte		Lopez
1987 Maria		Marcano
1987 Coral	Reyes	Rodriguez
1987 Michelle		Santos
1992 Margarita		Correa
1992 Renita		Frazier
1992 Lizette		Lugo
1992 Yeong Mi		Shin
1992 Tawana		Ways
1997 Xue Xia		Chong
1997 Elke		Gonzalez
1997 Isolina		Minaya
1997 Denise		Pena
1997 Alexis		Perez
2002 Jan Marie		Arteca
2002 Katie		Mendez
2002 Melissa		Restrepo

2002 Alfonsina  
2002 Kara  
2002 Lizette

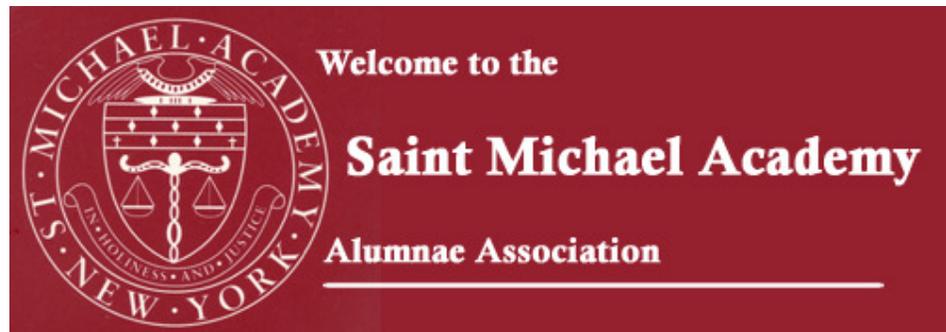
Rodriguez  
Scherbner  
Trelles

If you are able to help us, simply reply to this email, or send contact info to [SMAAANYC@aol.com](mailto:SMAAANYC@aol.com).

## What Are You Up To???

What are you up to these days? We'd love to know. Send us pictures, write a blurb or (if you are too modest) tell us of a website that we can link to that fills us in on where you work and/or what you're doing. Are you on YouTube???. Let us know that too. C'mon! Let's have some fun with this thing! Write to us at [SMAAANYC@aol.com](mailto:SMAAANYC@aol.com).

## SaintMichaelAcademy.com



Visit us at [www.SaintMichaelAcademy.com](http://www.SaintMichaelAcademy.com) 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.

We find ourselves when we find each other.  
Come find yourself at [www.SaintMichaelAcademy.com](http://www.SaintMichaelAcademy.com).

## Get the Word Out!

Use the icons at the top of this newsletter to post to your facebook page, and please *encourage your friends to join our mailing list*. (Don't forget to add [SMAAANYC@aol.com](mailto:SMAAANYC@aol.com) to your address book!)



## Support the Presentation Sisters

### *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:



### [Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary](#)

Administration Office  
84 Presentation Way  
New Windsor, NY 12553-4949

## 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!

### *Annual Dues*

We appreciate your support! We are keeping this year's dues at a reasonable \$25. Please make your check for \$25 (or more?) payable to "SMAAAA", and mail it to Jeanne Billings, SMAAAA, 6 Greenacres Avenue, Scarsdale, NY10583. **Be sure to include your updated contact information - name, maiden name, address, email address, phone number, year of graduation** - and please encourage your classmates to do the same. (*Hand in hand we'll work together!*)

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