



The Michaelight (January 2012)

Saint Michael Academy Alumnae Association (SMAAA)

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



2012 Dues

SMAAA Membership

Happy
New Year
2012

Can you believe that 2011 has already come and gone? Year one of the Saint Michael Academy Alumnae Association is behind us, and now we are on to bigger and better things. Please support our efforts by paying your 2012 SMAAA dues. We are keeping 2012 dues at a reasonable \$25 in order to encourage everyone to join, or continue their membership in, the SMAAA. Please consider giving more if you are able, because operating costs are steep for our fledgeling association. Members of the association will be asked to vote for Board members annually.

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Please make out your check for \$25 (or more?) payable to "SMAAA", and mail it to Jeanne Billings (SMAAA), 6 Greenacres Avenue, Scarsdale, NY 10583. 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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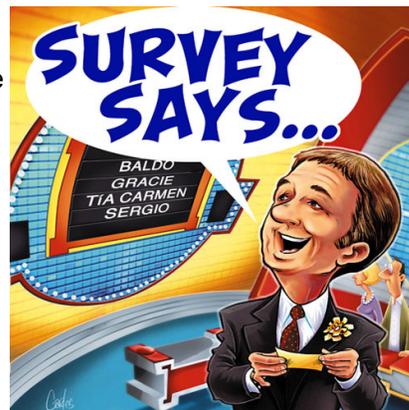
Reunion 2012 Survey

We would like your ideas on the following...

What are your thoughts on where you would like to see the next reunion take place? (Unfortunately, the SMA gym is probably not an option.)

How important is it to you that there be a mass celebrated before or after the reunion?

Would you be more inclined to come if you knew in advance who in your class might be attending?



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

SMAAA Board of Directors

Jeanne Boyd Billings '74
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(VP - Association)

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(VP - Charitable Foundation)

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Maria Pani '74
(Treasurer - Association and Charitable Foundation)

Lorraine Pogan Shef '64
(President - Association and Charitable

Did you like the idea of an "All Class Reunion" (as we had on October 8th), or would it be more special to you if it were just for the five-year anniversary classes (5, 10, 15, 20, etc.)?

Would you be willing to make a few phone calls to your classmates to "rally the troops"?

Would you be willing to serve on a reunion planning committee?

Please write to us at SMAAANYC@aol.com and tell us your thoughts. This is YOUR alumnae association. It can only be as good as YOU make it. Can't wait to hear from you!

News from the Class of 1954

You will find Joan Sullivan Lengyel's (Class of '54) movie reviews at www.Sayville.com

News from the Class of 1961

We received the sad news that Elaine Labriola (Class of 1961) died in her sleep after a long battle with cancer on 11/30/11.

News from the Class of 1974

On a rather cold and windy evening in late December, some members of the Class of '74 gathered at Gaetana's Restaurant on Christopher Street in Manhattan to enjoy the warmth of their lasting friendship. Here are a few pictures from their very successful evening...



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Patti Wu '70

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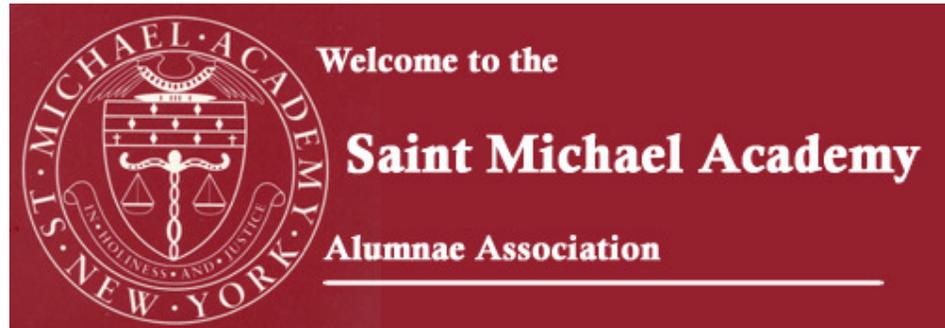
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Planning a gathering with your classmates? Email us the details at SMAAANYC@aol.com and we will help you get the word out. We are here to help you with your efforts to connect, but we can't do that if you don't keep us in the loop!

SaintMichaelAcademy.com



It's official...our website is up and running!

Visit us at 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.

(Helpful Hint: We do not recommend going to our website by way of an AOL browser. Use Internet Explorer, Google Chrome, or some other method instead. For some reason, going in through AOL proves "glitch-y". Thanks!)

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! Write to us at SMAAANYC@aol.com.

Archived Newsletters

Are you new to "The Michaelight"? If you are interested in reading past editions, please visit our website (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!

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 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

2012 Annual Dues

Happy New Year!

We appreciate your support! We are keeping this year's dues at a reasonable \$25. Because snail mailings are so expensive, we are communicating with the alumnae almost exclusively through this emailed newsletter. At the moment, we are sending this publication to approximately 1,160 people. We have an average "open rate" of 45%, which means that only 522 of the SMA alumnae are aware of our existence! We need your help to do better than that.

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