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The Michaelite
*The Official Newsletter of the
St. Michael Academy Alumnae Association (SMAAA)
and the SMAAA Charitable Foundation*
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Class of '66 Commemorative Video

Please take some time to enjoy this video we put together for the Class of '66. We ran it during last September's annual reunion luncheon. Enjoy!

Class of 1966



Reunion 2017 Saturday, September 30

It's never too early to put the annual SMAAA reunion luncheon on your calendar!

Our "Golden Girls" this year are members of the Class of '67

Our "Silver Foxes" are the women from the Class of '92

ALL of our reunions are ALWAYS open to ALL SMA ALUMNAE!

Please come and celebrate the gift of each other at this joyous annual event.

(Details to follow.)



SMAAA Tote Bags

Got a new shipment - you've made our totes a hit!

Now you can wear your high school "heart" on your sleeve. (Or your arm, or your shoulder!) Carry your SMAAA tote proudly to show the world that you were, and always will be, a Michaelite! The totes are a good size (18" W x 13" H with a 5" base and 29" straps) and are made of 100% cotton canvas - strong, and perfect for day-to-day use.



You can order these beautiful, sturdy canvas tote bags by sending a check for \$30 (this includes the cost of shipping) made out to *SMAAA Charitable Foundation* and mailing it to Jeanne Billings, 6 Greenacres Avenue, Scarsdale, NY 10583. Please don't forget to include your name and address!

Class Chairs Will You Be One?

WE ARE LOOKING FOR CLASS CHAIRS

Over the last few years we have received many inquiries about the Reunions. Alums want to know where, when and who is attending from their class. We can always supply the where and when, but we often do not have the WHO.

This is where you can help us out! We have a Master List of Alumnae but it isn't always accurate as to addresses, emails, etc. Some of you have helped out in this capacity before, and we look to you to help us again. For those of you who have not done this before - it's easy. Just let us know that you are willing to help and we will see to it that you have a list of your classmates with the information you will need to make contact with them. In this day of electronics it's easier than it used to be. With one email you can contact the Alums on your list and from there it multiplies. Most of our Alums have emails and, for those few that don't, you can still call them or write to them.



Please let us know if you are interested in helping out. The more the merrier (some classes have had two or three people doing the job). We have found over the years the class reunions that are the most successful all begin with a reach out from a classmate. So if you've kept in touch with even a few of your classmates - try it, you'll have fun.

If you think you can help, please contact us at our email: smaaaanyc@gmail.com. We're waiting to hear from you!

I Wish I'd Known!!! Photographer for Saturday, September 30

Each year at the Reunion and throughout the year - when we tell members of the Alumnae that we had a problem locating someone or something for the Reunion or help in some other way, we hear the same answer: I wish I'd known!

Well we're here to tell you we need your help -

We need a photographer for the Reunion. In the past we have had success with our own Board Members but it becomes a daunting task the day of the Reunion to take photos and help with all of the other things that need to be done during the Reunion itself.



If you or a member of your family has a talent for taking pictures at events like a wedding or other family function, please let us know. There are a few shots that we usually try to capture during the day such as Jubilee Class Photos and photos of any of our faculty who may be present but other than that we just need photos. By the week after the Reunion we are already receiving

inquiries about the photos that were taken at the Reunion.

Our fee for your service - lunch will be on us!

Please let us know if you can help. Write to us at SMAAANYC@gmail.com.

Trip to the Mount Save the Date

**SAVE THE DATE: Noon on Saturday, May 20, 2017
Our "Bus Ride" to the Mount**

We had so much fun last year that we're doing it again! Won't you come and join us this year? When we announced our trip to the Mount last year we were happily surprised at the number of responses! Don't know who had more fun last year, the Alums or the Sisters! (Below are some of the photos from last year's outing!)

The cost of the day is: \$27.00
(For the luncheon and a donation to the Sisters of the Presentation)

So, round up your Classmates and join us for this wonderful walk down memory lane! Make your reservations now - there are a limited number of guests we can accommodate. Transportation: is on your own, but we would appreciate it if you can carpool to pick up those who do not have a ride. We will try to assist you in making these arrangements - to the extent we can. Just let us know if you can help out with a ride or need a ride when you send in your reservation!

Write to us at SMAAANYC@gmail.com to tell us that you're interested in coming!





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Spotlight On... Jane Burns ('81)

Research Officer in the School of Nursing & Midwifery at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RSCI)

We would like to start a section in The Michaelite newsletter called, "Spotlight On" where we highlight various SMA alums. If you or a classmate make the news (but not the police blotter!), send a link to us at SMAAANYC@gmail.com and we will consider running the article. Thanks!

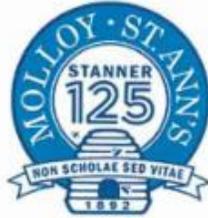
Jane Burns ('81) remains an extremely active alum, in spite of the distance between us. In fact, she was one of our first "SMA Tote Bag" purchasers. SMAAA President, Lorraine Pogan Shef ('64) recently hand delivered them to Jane in Dublin. Now THAT'S school spirit!



And now, heeeeeerrreeeee's Jane!

<https://www.altmetric.com/blog/ambassador-spotlight-jane-burns/?platform=hootsuite>

Lou Santos to Go Into Molloy's Hall of Fame



Stanner HALL OF FAME

Your attendance is requested for a special ceremony and dinner recognizing *Mr. Lou Santos* and the Stanner Hall of Fame Class of 2017. Our honorees:

Bra. Zephiriny, F.M.S.

Bra. Aquinas Richard '48, F.M.S.

Mr. Lou Santos

Mr. Richard Reilly '63

Mr. Michael O'Neill '71

Capt. Liam Flaherty, FDNY, '83

Hors D'oeuvres, Refreshments, Dinner & Dessert
Saturday, March 25, 2017, 5:30 PM

Single Ticket: \$100

Archbishop Molloy High School
83-53 Manton Street, Briarwood, NY 11435
Directions available at www.molloyhs.org

Register Online at www.molloyhs.org/events or contact mrizzotti@molloyhs.org or 718.943.3186 for more information.



Membership in the SMAAA

Become a member or renew your membership today!

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. Our emailed newsletter (*The Michaelite*) costs approximately \$400 per year, reunion mailings cost well over \$1,000 per year, and just being in existence costs money (corporate filing fees, website expenses, 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 **filling out the attached form** and sending it along with your check for \$25 (made out to SMAAA).



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High School Transcripts

Looking For Yours?

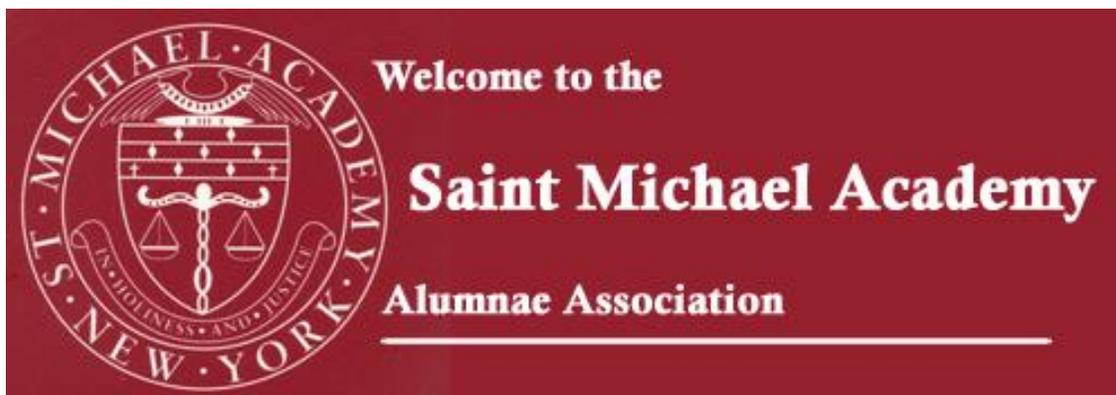
The Church of St. Michael can help you. Please contact them directly. (212) 563-2575

<http://www.stmichaelnyc.com/contact-us>

**TRANSCRIPT
REQUEST**

Website

Register to Connect!



Looking to connect with your classmates? Please go to the official website of the SMA Alumnae Association and register. After you do, you'll be able to email each other! Come see who's already registered there. Just go to SaintMichaelAcademy.com (or click on the image above) and register today. Easy peasy!

Archived Newsletters

Are you new to "The Michaelite"? 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!

Passings

Received June, 2016...

Patricia Simmons Dunphy, who graduated from SMA grammar school ('60) and high school ('64), passed away this month. I worked with Patricia for 26 years, and as Michaelites we often shared memories of the school. ([obituary notice](#))

Sincerely,
Barbara DeMaio



Received August, 2016...

Dear Friends, It is with a heavy heart that I post an [obituary notice](#) of my dear friend, Eileen (Teschlog Chipperfield, Class of '59). We went to SMA together, then studied nursing, she at Bellevue and I at Queens Hospital Center. We worked together at Bellevue after graduation. She was a bridesmaid in my wedding party. A dear life long friend, a wonderful wife, mother and nurse. We had apartments close by in Kew Gardens, Queens when we were first married. She, Jack and family moved to Houston, Texas over 30 years ago. She flew in for SMA reunions. We kept in touch through the years. Eileen, you will be greatly missed. A wonderful person and a loyal Michaelite. May you rest in peace, dear friend.

Bridget Sullivan Atkinson



Received August, 2016...

ATCHISON, Lucille A. (Campbell), 62, of Flushing, NY, passed away on Friday, August 12, 2016 at the Philip Hultar Hospice Inpatient Center in Providence, RI. Born in New York, NY, she was a daughter of the late James and Rita (Lynch) Campbell. Class of '72 ([read obituary](#))



Received September, 2016...

Please note in the next newsletter that my sister Kathy (Kasz) passed away on 9/9/16 from pancreatic cancer. Class of 1973. Thank you.

Marianne Maciag Hargrove

[Read Kathleen Maciag's obituary](#)



Received October, 2016...

I just wanted to let you know Elvira Ferrera Santos, class of 1979, passed away on Tuesday of cancer.

Elizabeth Ferrera, her sister, class of 1984.

[\(send condolences\)](#)



Received February, 2017...

Dianne Devine McGlade, Class of '64 passed away on January 27, 2017. She is the twin sister of Delores Devine also of the class of 1964. RIP Dianne.

Lorraine Pogan Shef, '64



Sisters of the Presentation

A Way to Give Back

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



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84 Presentation Way
New Windsor, NY 12553-4949

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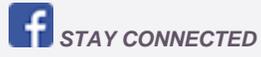


New York Times Article (June 10, 2010)

"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](#))"

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