

October 19, 2006

Dear Sacred Heart Friends in the Western Region:

I hope you all had a wonderful summer with gorgeous weather which extended into Fall as it did in Vancouver.

I have just had news of the AASH Central Regional Business Meeting, October 13th and 14th: On Saturday October 14th, over 50 alums and nine RSCJ, some came from as far away as Michigan, California and Mexico and all enjoyed a truly beautiful and inspiring day – *Nourishing One's Soul*. The highlight of the evening besides the wonderful company of those who attended and the delicious food was the presence of [Sr. Shirley Miller, Director of Mission Advancement](#) who gave an overview of the **Society of the Sacred Heart – U.S. Province – Today**. If you wish to receive copies of what Sr. Miller shared with the group, please contact [Maureen Ryan, RD of the Central Region](#) and she will be more than happy to send it to you. Maureen encourages all associations to discuss some creative ways in which we as alumnae/i can reach out and spread the word to prospective donors. In true collaboration it would be wonderful to know that as alums we were able to help the RSCJ beat their goal of raising 40 million dollars in ten years.

The **AASH Eastern Regional Meeting** will be held Oct. 21st at Stuart, Princeton, NJ. Speaker: Nina Shea, Stuart '71. The **AASH Southern Regional Meeting** will be in St. Charles on November 17. Have a peek at the AASH Web site <AASHnet.org> to read all the details and see the wonderful pictures of Alums you will recognize.

NEWS from the WESTERN REGION:

Exciting things have happened since our Western Regional Business Meeting in San Diego last June.

LOS ANGELES:

You will be happy to hear that the Los Angeles Association for whom many of us helped stuff invitations had a tremendously successful Mass and Luncheon on August 26th which attracted 45 plus attendees from the all the Southern California Associations.

There are Mater Teas/coffees planned for each area of Los Angeles in October and November which you can find on the AASH Calendar. Please also note the date of the 2009 AASH National Conference in Los Angeles.

FOREST RIDGE:

Celebrated the dedication of their new High School building and Chapel on September 8th and 9th. There are hardly words to describe the Spirit that

was so alive in the building, chapel and among those present at Forest Ridge's Chapel Blessing. It was Magical that Virginia McMonagle, rscj was there. How lovely that she could see and be such an important part of something so dear to her heart. Eight of our Vancouver Point Grey Alums drove down to be part of what seemed like our own celebration. Truly we couldn't and wouldn't have missed such a magnificent day in the life of the Family of the Sacred Heart.

LAS VEGAS:

The Las Vegas Meeting which was held at Debbie Barton's home in October was very successful. They will start slowly planning a small get together right after the first of the year and have been invited to link with the Arizona association in their formation. Both Marcie Amory and Pam Snyder were there from Arizona.

ARIZONA:

Has an exciting weekend coming upon November 18th and 19th!!
They will celebrate a Gala evening to open the new Parish of St. Rose Philippine Duchesne.
Mass and Reception: 5pm on. For an invitation, Contact Parish Office 623-465-9740
There will also be Mass and a reception on Sunday the 19th of November.
11:00am at St. Rose Philippine Duchesne Parish, Anthem, AZ. Sisters Virginia Rodee, rscj, Lisa Buscher, rscj and Kathleen Hughes, rscj will be in attendance.

ORANGE COUNTY:

Save December 2nd for the AASH Orange County Rejuvenation Event. The Board is planning a Mass celebrating the Feast Day of Saint Philippine Duschene with a luncheon and inspirational speaker to follow at Marywood Retreat Centre in Orange.

ALL OTHER ASSOCIATIONS: Thanks so much with your wonderful input for the Calendar of your news of events to come. I am able to enter changes to the calendar so please send them my way. All other entries are made by the web master who has received my material. This is also a time when some associations elect new officers. If your association has recently changed officers, please send the information on to me.

[Now, on to other AASH news and updates . . .](#)

NATIONAL CONFERENCE, APRIL 19 to 21, 2007 in NEW YORK CITY

The University Club located at One West 54th Street, New York, New York 10019, is one of New York City's grandest clubhouses. They have set aside a *limited block* of standard rooms for the evenings of April 18, 19, and 20, 2006. The rate is \$235.00 for the standard room. *Please note that room rates are per room, per night and are subject to an 8.375% New York state sales tax, 5% New York City hotel occupancy tax and a \$3.50 per room hotel occupancy tax.* Reservations are welcome 24 hours a day and can be made by calling or faxing the Club's reservation department at 212-247-2100 (Tel), 212-572-3457 (Fax) or via e-mail (ldewenter@universityclubny.org). To make reservations please ask for the Associated Alumnae/ Alumni of the Sacred Heart group. All rooms **must be reserved by March 7, 2006**. Details and more info will be posted on the website under the Conference section.

NOMINATIONS FOR THE AASH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Information and forms for associations to nominate alums to the 2007-2009 AASH Board are available on-line at www.aashnet.org. The Nominating Chair, our immediate past president [Barb Lopiccicolo](#), states that the nomination deadline has been extended to November 17th. If you as an individual have a willingness to serve, don't be shy about getting yourself nominated!

COR UNUM AWARD NOMINATIONS DUE BY OCTOBER 25TH

The Cor Unum Award was established in 1991 to pay tribute to alumnae and alumni who have embraced the philosophy of the Sacred Heart in their everyday lives. The meaning of Cor Unum is "one heart", taken from the motto of the Society of the Sacred Heart -- One Heart and One Mind. In paying tribute to the recipients, we honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the philosophy of the Society of the Sacred Heart. Information and forms for associations to nominate alums to the 2007-2009 Cor Unum Awards are available on-line at www.aashnet.org.

As the conference returns to New York, we want this presentation to be very special. One alum living in, but not necessarily originating from, each of the four regions – Central, West, Southern and West - is honored for:

- Excellence in one's work
- Loyalty to Sacred Heart values
- The gift of self in service to others

Each nomination is recorded on CD so that those serving on the committee see the great pool of worthy candidates who have been nominated, even if they were not chosen to receive the award. The greater the pool, the more meaningful the award is. Please be thinking of individuals you would like to nominate. [Toni Curry](#), Chair 2007 Cor Unum Award Committee states that the forms are on-line and the deadline has been extended to November 17th.

AASH CALENDAR AND REGIONAL NEWS SECTION ON AASHNET.ORG – Please look for photos of past events and details of future events on the AASH site under the regional events section – www.aashnet.org. When planning events, please continue to send me details to be posted on our website.

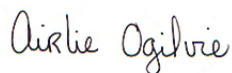
GIFT SHOP - Please take a look at your associations' gift shop site and contact our webmaster mary@argas.com with changes, corrections, additions, etc. This is a wonderful source to shop for many unique Sacred Heart items that make perfect gifts. And, after all Christmas is around the corner! ☺

FEAST OF MATER – October 20th

This is the time of year to enjoy the beauty of the changing seasons and the month in which we celebrate the Feast of Mater Admirabilis (October 20th) so I thought it best to remind you that if you are interested you will find devotional materials available on-line at www.aashnet.org.

[Happy Feast of Mater Everyone.](#)

All the best,



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AASH Western Regional Director