

Issue 2

August, 2017



ST DOMINIC'S
OLD SCHOLARS
ASSOCIATION

Strengthening connections
and lifelong friendships,
honouring the Dominican
traditions

CALENDAR DATES:

Annual Lunch	27th Aug
School Fete	29th Oct

ST DOMINIC'S PRIORY COLLEGE
OLD SCHOLARS ASSOCIATION

In Black & White

President's Letter

Dear Old Scholars,
Its been a while since our last Newsletter and lots has happened in the interim

Our Annual School Mass and AGM were held in early March this year.

Once again it was a wonderful opportunity for many generations of Old Scholars to gather as a community and reflect on the year prior. Held in the school Chapel with the talented school choir singing "Sound the Mighty Dominic's Praises" always creates a sense of nostalgia and school day memories. Special thanks to Sr Jill, Elena Tarraran and the school choir, whose invaluable contribution to this event is much appreciated and acknowledged.

Following the Mass, **the AGM and light lunch** were held in the school hall.



2016 was a successful year for Old Scholars fundraising events with **Kath Halliday** at the helm. Sadly Kath announced her resignation as President to peruse a new and exciting career path. On behalf of the Old Scholars Association, we would like to thank Kath for all her hard work and dedication over the years. She and her family are an integral part of the school's history and heritage.

Additionally, we would like to thank **Genevieve Otten-Brown** who also said goodbye this year, for her wonderful involvement and fundraising efforts over many years.

We wish both ladies luck and happiness in their new and exciting ventures.

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome and introduce our newest members to the Association

- ◆ **Jane Silver** (graduated 1984). Jane attended St Dominic's from Year 8 to Year 12. Jane and all of her 4 siblings attended the school and have a deep association with this community
- ◆ **Mary Kelly** (graduated 2014). Mary attended St Dominic's from Reception to Year 12. Mary and her family have also been heavily involved in the school over the years
- ◆ **Jacqui and Georgia Zientara** (graduated 2010 and 2012) Both ladies commenced their schooling at St Doms in reception to Year 12.

Welcome Ladies.

Class of '82 - 35 year reunion Friday 4th August



Class of '07 - 10 year reunion Saturday 22nd July

Photo Gallery

Old Scholars Mass



Old Scholars Mass

Presidents letter cont...

Annual Luncheon

We are now busily preparing for the Annual Luncheon, to be held on **Sunday August 27th** @ Bartons Restaurant, Caledonian Hotel, North Adelaide, 12.00noon arrival for a 12.30pm lunch. The cost for this event is **\$30** which includes an entree, main course and a glass of champagne on arrival. We would love to see members of our alma mater across many generations and graduating years. This year we also welcome friends of Old Scholars.

PLEASE SAVE THIS DATE, GATHER YOUR SCHOOL FRIENDS AND BOOK A TABLE READY FOR AN ENJOYABLE AFTERNOON.

There will be a school tour prior to the lunch. This will commence at 11.15am – 12.15pm. **IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THE SCHOOL TOUR:** please contact Marianne Easton 0438 630 690 or marianne.easton@neaminational.org.au to register.

So we can provide final attendee numbers to the Caledonian, **pre-payment** of your ticket would be much appreciated by **Tuesday 22nd August**. This ensures your ticket is reserved on the day and your name registered at the door. **There are a few ways to make payment this year.**

1. For cheques - please make your payment to the St Dominic's Old Scholars Association and forward your payment to Mrs Marianne Easton, 12 Alexis Street, Hope Valley 5090. Mobile: 0438 630 690
2. Payment can be made at St Dominic's school office
3. Payment into the Old Scholars Bank Account.

Bank: CBA

BSB: 065 000

Account No: 00902787

NOTE: Please ensure you put your name in the reference line, so we know who has paid. If paying for more than one ticket, please notify marianne.easton@neaminational.org.au / 0438 630 690 (to ensure all names will be on the attendee list)

All proceeds go towards an Old Scholars donation for the new Year 12 building recently purchased in Hill Street. We look forward to see you all there.

Thank you and Kind Regards

Annie Pfeiffer

President, St Dominic's Priory College Old Scholars Association



Our most recent fundraiser in June was our film afternoon at the Regal Theatre, Kensington screening the fabulous movie Hidden Figures. A very thought provoking and emotional true story, I don't think there was a dry eye in the house by the end of the movie. Thank you to all Old Scholars and friends who attended, donated to the fund, bought raffle tickets and baked delicious plates of food. It was a great day to catch up with old friends & an opportunity to make new ones. The event was a great success and proceeds will go towards the Sisters Christmas Pantry Fund, presented at the end of the year. A special thanks goes to the committee whose hard work and dedication made the day possible. A great team effort.

The Old Scholars Committee would like to acknowledge the following businesses and thank them for their generous raffle donations;



◆ North Adelaide Fitness Centre & Aaron Ramsey. Thank you for your donation of a 3 month fitness membership.

◆ Jane Cummings, a voucher for treatment at her salon. Thank you Jane, an Old Scholar herself, for your continued

support of the Old Scholars Association over many years.



***In Memoriam* - Margaret Blunden 23.11.1935 ~ 22.5.2017**



Past Parents, Old Scholars, Staff and Dominican Sisters joined with the family and friends of Margaret Blunden/nee Wade, at her Requiem Mass in Rosary Church to honour and reflect on her life. It was a fitting tribute to a lady who was much admired and respected by so many. Margaret was the President of our Old Scholars Association from 1972—(approx.) 1982; a role she filled with grace and dignity, and a strong sense of service. We offer our condolences to her husband Bill, and her sons and daughters, Marie and Alison, both of who attended St Dominic's.

Our sympathy is also extended to her Sisters Rhonda Pilkington and Elizabeth Wade, also Old Scholars.

**CLASS
REUNION**

***Any class
reunions
coming up?***

Please let us know if you are reaching an old scholar milestone and want to celebrate as a class. We can help you contact people and communicate the day. Sr Jill is also happy to assist with school tours.

St Dominic's Old Scholars Facebook

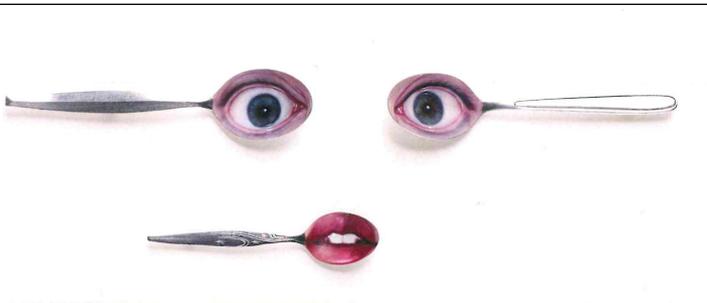


Facebook has become an excellent means of keeping in touch with past students and as a contact source for reunions.

At present we have over **1000 members** so if you are not a member yet, please join and find out all our news and photos of events.



The administration of this Facebook page is by members of the Old Scholars Association. We endeavour to continually increase our members and you are encouraged to join this group.



Side by Side II

Curator Sarah Northcott

Artists Fran Callen, Nadia Caon, Ursula Halpin, Declan Lee, Bridgette Minuzzo, Lee Salomone, Helen Sherriff



Art Exhibition featuring Nadia Caon (1975)

Prospect Gallery

Contemporary artists create new works in response to works selected from Prospect Art Collection.

Opening 3pm Sunday 6 August

***Exhibition dates
6 August - 3rd September***

Births:

Congratulations to:



Genevieve Brown Otten & Peter on the birth of their son George Johannes Peter Brown on July 12th. A brother for Oscar.

Weddings:

Congratulations to:

Ali Trewartha & Andrew Wright. Married in Ubud, Bali

Stephanie Musolino & Michael Grigic

Ali & Andrew



St Dominics Priory College Old Scholars Association



Invite you to the
2017 Annual Luncheon

Sunday August 27th @ 12.30pm

Strengthening connections and lifelong friendships honouring the Dominican traditions

**Barton's Restaurant
Caledonian Hotel,
North Adelaide**

Tickets \$30p.p

(pre-payment required)

Includes entrée, generous main & a glass of champagne

School Tour:

Will commence at 11.15am prior to the lunch.
Please contact Marianne Easton on
0438 630690 to register

**All proceeds go towards an Old Scholars
donation for the new Year 12 facility.**

Payment Options:

By Cheque

Please forward to : Marianne Easton
12 Alexis Street, Hope Valley 5090

Bank Transfer

CBA **Please Use Your Name as reference**
BSB: 065 000
Account: 00902787

At School Office

At Administration office &
receive confirmation.

coming soon

OSA Website Page

Keep an eye out! You can find it on the school website under the Community tab. Here you will be able to see all up and coming events, update your details, any current old scholars photos and stories.

Newsletter

Are you receiving the copy of this Newsletter by post? Currently we have **506 Old Scholars** on our Data Base, **218** of which have the newsletter emailed to them. To reduce the cost of postage we encourage more Old Scholars to receive "In Black & White" by email. Please change from receiving a printed version to an email copy, by contacting Elena Tarraran with your email address (etarraran@stdominics.sa.edu.au).



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A LIFE OF LOVE AND DEDICATION.

Sr. Mary Anne Holland OP

Born May 10 1937

Died June 14 2017



Monica Marjorie Holland, Mardi to her family, was the third child born to Alphonsus and Marjorie Holland, a sister for John and Greg and a big sister to Anne and Marie Therese. In her loving and growing family she has been, throughout her life, a central figure; a beloved daughter, sister, aunt and great aunt. Her extended family were blessed to receive from her a completely selfless love and to know at first hand her extraordinary capacity to relate to each one's joys and hopes and needs.

Sr. Mary Anne's parents enrolled her at St Dominic's Priory College where she was a student from kindergarten to the Leaving class. Those who were at school with her remember her talents. In an era when displays of work and performances in musical concerts were very much a part of education at St. Dominic's she showed her accomplishments and versatility. No doubt her appreciation of the value of education was one part of her attraction to the Dominican Order.

In 1954 Sr. Mary Anne entered the convent of the Dominican Sisters in Molesworth Street North Adelaide, and so began her long and wholehearted response to her call to follow Christ, and to live that call faithfully for 62 years. She made her final profession in 1958. Her time as a young religious corresponded with a dramatic increase in the arrival of children from post war Europe and a corresponding increase in the number of children to be taught in any one Catholic school classroom. It was before the days of Commonwealth grants to Catholic schools. Classes of 60 children were common. She certainly experienced this at the newly opened St. Augustine's school Salisbury. Those who worked with her as well as those who were her pupils would attest to her energy, her good humour and her kindness.

In addition to her roles of leadership in education as Principal at St. Augustine's Salisbury and Rosary School Prospect in the 60s, Sr. Mary Anne also taught at Siena College Findon. She served in her Dominican communities as convent Prioress and mistress of Novices. Through the late 80s and the 90s Sr. Mary Anne was Deputy Principal of St. Dominic's Priory College. Characteristic of her leadership was her deep care for students and staff. She placed a high value on study throughout her life and, like many Australian religious, she combined her teaching role with part time study for her Bachelor and Master's Degrees.



Within the classroom she is remembered by her students as a passionate teacher of History and Religious Education. Outside the classroom her belief in a rounded Dominican education saw her involved in co-curricular activities, particularly in sport. Saturday morning hockey matches will not be the same without her. On an ordinary school day Sr. Mary Anne played her part for the environment. She did not regard her regular yard duty as a chore, but as an opportunity to do her part to keep the school campus a place of welcome and cleanliness. Her artistic skills, gifted to every celebration in her family and her school communities, transformed ordinary places into stunning environments of colour and life, as she wove her magic in floral arrangements to suit every occasion.

Among the hundreds of students who have sent their memories to St. Dominic's Priory College through social media Sr. Mary Anne's wit and charm and kindness are universally recalled. Underlying all our memories is one consistent message from all who knew her, whether that was 50 years ago or as recently as 2017. She was a person with whom we were privileged to share our lives; truly a witness to Christ in our midst. A student from her 9W class of 2010 puts it this way.

Dear Sr. Mary Anne,

You were one of a kind. You will be missed by all. You have touched so many lives and we are truly grateful."