

# **OSA Committee update.**

Dear Old Scholars and friends,

On behalf of the Old Scholars Committee, we would like to thank you for your ongoing support and patience whilst we continue to navigate the new world, post COVID.

We're looking forward to coming together again within our OS community to give thanks and celebrate our St Dominic's heritage. There are some exciting events planned for 2023.

We're happy to welcome back the School Fete and importantly the Old Scholars cake stall, plus class reunions which will be taking place over the next couple of months.

All of these gatherings resonate in "strengthening old scholar connections and lifelong friendships, honouring our Dominican traditions".

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## **Best Wishes OSA Committee**

Elena Tarraran Sr Jill Havey **Briony Pauley** Jo Duffy Annie Pfeiffer

# Maureen Cassidy: In memory of a remarkable, 'accidental' student of the 40s

Stranded in South Australia at the outbreak of World War Two, Maureen Cassidy and her mother were unable to get back home to Hawaii until some years later. Maureen had a welcoming temporary home here at Saint Dominic's Priory College arriving aged 9 and graduating as Dux of the School in 1947. Maureen died at home, in Montgomery, Alabama on July 7th 2002, aged 70.

Her distinguished career is recorded in an obituary published in the Alabama Advertiser. It refers to her roles as assistant professor of French at the University of Alabama, her work with the Alabama State Department of Education, her service as an accomplished musician, organist, pianist and choir director at Saint Peter's Catholic Church. Her great work as a community volunteer and member of Catholic Social Services, is also acknowledged.

Maureen visited her old school and the Dominican Sisters community in 1997. Maureen never lost her interest in her Alma Mater and throughout her life kept close contact with her former classmates and teachers, especially Sr. Mary Bernadette Hickey. Another student of our 40's cohort, Joan Cahill, fondly remembers her catch up with Maureen in New Orleans in 1992!

We have some beautiful photographs of her from that visit and she left us some earlier shots of her own school days. One of them is Maureen dressed as a page for a stage performance, and sitting in front of her is a classmate, Tess Cotterill. We will have these photos on show at the OSA Mass on March the 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Maureen Cassidy's generosity enables us to name the annual OSA Dux of School award in her honour.

#### The Fete is back!

After a hiatus in 2021 due to COVID restrictions, the fete is back.

Make sure to mark the date in your diary....



The Old Scholars Cake stall will also be making a return in 2022.

We're calling out to our wonderful Old Scholar bakers. If you could dust off your recipe books and help us out.

Halloween cupcakes are always hot sellers – the spookier the better! (gluten free, much appreciated)

If you could please include a list of ingredients (see label instructions below).

Cake drop off is most welcome, either Saturday prior, or Sunday before midday.

Our stall will be located in the School Gym, so come on down and say Hi and help to support us on the day.

# Volunteers are welcome,

click the Roster Link / QR Code to register.



This cake was made with love by a St Dominic's Old Scholar. We hope you enjoy it.

Ingredients are:

Sugar

Eggs

Plain flour

Lactose Free Milk

- Vanilla essence
- Other ingredients......

# Exclusive Exhibition - for Old Scholars and Fete friends.

**Some** of our readers will remember the Roche Foundation exhibition of embroidery held at the Roche Museum in North Adelaide in 2021. It was an excellent event.

As Old Scholars of St. Dominic's we were humbled by, and proud of the highlight of that exhibition, the spectacular Cope designed by the pioneers, Mother Rose Columba Adams and embroidered by Mother Francis Philomena Ullathorne and Mother Rose Columba circa 1889.

At that event PhD student Jo Vandepeer (pictured) gave a fine talk on the history of art needlework in SA with particular reference to the contribution made by the Dominican sisters of North Adelaide. Jo went on to submit a comprehensive essay to the Australian Catholic Historical Society which was awarded their annual MacGinley Award.

The Dominican sisters are grateful for the contribution made by Jo and the Historical Society towards the work of restoration of this amazing cope recently completed by Art Lab SA.

Members of the public and our Old Scholars will have the opportunity of viewing the restored cope on two different occasions.

- i) On Sunday October 30, from 10:30 till 11:30 a.m. in the Chapel and school museum will be opened as part of the much-anticipated return, post COVID, of the Saint Dominic's Priory College Fete.
- ii) The Old Scholars annual Mass to be held on in 2023 on Sunday the 5th of March, will provide a second opportunity for old scholars to view the beautiful restoration of the Saint Dominic's Priory Cope.

Please contact Sr Jill via the school, if interested.



# Out and about in our community.



#### CLASS REUNIONS COMING UP.

50 YEAR REUNION (School Leavers of 71 & 72) will be held

on Saturday, November 19th 2022.

A school tour will be co-hosted by the current Principal, Dr Helen Steele and Sr Jillian.

Time: 10.30 - 12.30

Please meet at: Molesworth Street entrance

Light refreshments offered on arrival

College Tour at 11.00am

10+1 YEAR REUNION (Class of 2011) will be held on

Saturday, November 19th 2022.

Contact Jacqui Larwood nee Mills, 0428101193.

Time: 2.00pm

Please meet at: Molesworth Street entrance

Light refreshments offered on arrival

College Tour at 2.30pm

Class of 1979 are catching up again.

Saturday 5th, November at 12.30pm

Caledonian Hotel for lunch.

Please contact Jo Duffy at radix.tech@optusnet.com.au

for further details.

#### Save the date.

The Old Scholars Mass is confirmed for Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2023.





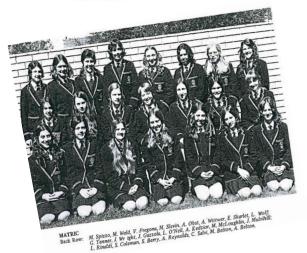


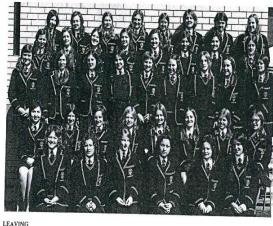
MATRIC Back Row:

Sr. M. Reginald, Silvia Skarlat, Joan Wardrop, Gail Richards, Lyndal Wolf, Christine Braham.

Front Row:

Margaret Flanagan, Marian Davey, Anne Hurley, Elizabeth Dundon, Cathryn Blunden.





Toleman, L. Spottiswood, J. White, J. O'Callaghan, T. Reynolds, E. Dougan, S. Fregona,

Blunderi,
Doyle, F. Nellson, K. Bulling, P. Toleman, A. Dabinet, C. Antoniou, M. Lucia, E. Larwood;
Barlow, M. Bell, J. Cummings, J. Moser, S. Haugaard, A. Jackson, M. Sprudzans, M. Ravese,

R. Barlow, In. Beu, J. Cummungs, J. D. Trus, A. Kennedy, M. Belton, P. Hanlon, C. Harford, A. Palombi, S. Murphy, J. Emery, D. Trus, A. Kennedy, M. Belton, P. Hanlon, C. Harford, T. Ralla, A. Colangelo, E. Elmore, M. Pinto, S. Bonaiuti, M. Quigley, T. Baldissera, G. Kelly, M. Mignone, C. Pilekul, R. Vorrasi,



## Important Announcement.

# AS OF 2022, THE OLD SCHOLAR NEWSLETTER WILL NO LONGER BE PRINTED AND DISTRIBUTED BY POST-MAIL.

The Old Scholar Newsletter relies on many collaborators to compile, print and distribute to our old collegians each edition.

Due to an increasing number of "return to sender" newsletters over the last few editions, the Old Scholar Committee has made the decision to cease printing and mailing hard copies.

As of 2022, your Old Scholar news and updates will be provided by the following avenues:

- Email
- School Website Community Tab
- OSA Facebook Page
- You may also have family members who can print you a copy, if you prefer your newsletter via hard copy?

Please ensure your email address is up to date. You can notify us via the school website:

https://www.stdominics.sa.edu.au & navigate to the community page/old scholars.

For those Old Scholars that have no access to electronic tools. Please contact the school on (08) 8331 5100 and we will arrange an alternative for you to receive our news.

Thanking you all in advance for your support on this new process.

#### SDPCOSA LIFE MEMBERS

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KATH HALLIDAY
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LEONIE HINES
SANDY LEE
REBECCA HOSKINS BARTLETT

# **Recently Deceased.**

Our thought and prayers are with the Dominican communities and families of Old Scholars whose loved ones have died.

Rosemary Conroy August 1939 – July 2022 Past student of the 1950's

Br Brendan O'Hearn February 1939 – August 2022 For decades Br Brendan also known as BB, was friend to many throughout the Dominican Communities.

Michelina Romaldi - August 2022 Mother of Dalma Romaldi (1974) Life Member of the OSA. Our sympathy and prayers is extended to all the Romaldi Family.

George Kenmore – recently deceased Husband of Denise. Father of Donna, Natalie (1992), Simone (1995) and grandfather of Peter (20). Our prayers and sympathy are extended to all the Kenmore family.

# May they rest in peace.



*Pictured:* Maureen Cassidy, Sr Mary Anne Holland and Mr Ed Gallio taken at SDPC in 1997

