



GENERAL ALUMNAE MEETING

On Thursday, May 21, 2015 Mr. Michael J. Helgesen, Certified Financial Planner (CFP) and Financial Advisor, was the guest speaker at the General Alumnae meeting. Mr. Helgesen, the creator of "Dynamic Mapping," a process that helps individuals and small businesses visualize and understand their key opportunities and risks, presented an interesting and entertaining discussion on financial management. In very understandable language, Mike showed us how over time we can save time and money as we grapple with the unexpected expenses of life, assuring that we do not run out of money.

Mike made the following important points:

1. Try to enter retirement mortgage free and pay extra principle on the front end of your mortgage if possible.
2. Set up a 529 account for your grandchildren if you can, as it is increasingly more challenging for our children to save enough money for their children's education.
3. When choosing a financial planner keep these points in mind:
 - Choose someone who's own house in in order, i.e. stable financially and personally
 - Choose someone who has an established career
 - Do not choose someone on the back end of his career, as they are more likely to pass off their clients to someone just starting out

It was an enjoyable evening and I think we all came away with a few pearls of wisdom that were helpful.

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION DUES

A sincere thanks to all who have paid their Alumnae Association dues and especially to those who have donated so generously to our organization.

CLASS NOTES:

Please keep in touch with us by sending us your class year and email address to SVHalum@gmail.com. Alum frequently request information about their classmates, particularly to reconnect for reunions.

WEBSITE:

Sweatshirts, hats, and other memorabilia are still available at the SVH Shop. Please visit the site for review of Class Notes, Photo Gallery, SVH Shop, and more.

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TRANSCRIPTS:

Save for future reference!

For those looking for **transcripts or diplomas**, you may write to:

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C/O Archives: Boyle Hall

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Bronx, New York 10471

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Change of Address and Annual Dues of \$35.00

Forward to Mrs. Patricia Holland Costello

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CLASS NOTES

Class of '60

Maureen Flannagan '60 informed us that she has suffered a stroke and she is in early stage Alzheimers. She asked that we share her contact information in the newsletter and hopes to hear from those who know her. Her address is 22 Henry Circle, Manchester, NJ 08759.

Class of '61

Nancy Bagrationoff Sullivan '61 is the first recipient of the Florida Hospital Community Primary Health Clinic's Bi-Annual Volunteer Award. She is responsible for starting the Clinic's Newsletter, she represents the Clinic as a Board Member at the Florida Hospital Waterman's Auxiliary Meetings, she works with the Lakes and Hills Garden Club of Mount Dora to obtain food and financial help for the needy at the Clinic, and for those who know Nancy, she jumps in with both feet when people need help!

I'm sure she does other things that I don't remember.

Congratulations Nancy!

Class of '65

Mary Beth Fries Buchner '65 is busy planning the reunion for the Class of '65. If you are not on the Class of 1965 e-mail list, or if your e-mail address has changed, please contact at Mary Beth at mbbuchner@gmail.com or 518-785-1528.

Class of '75

The Class of '75 will celebrate their 40th Year Reunion at the Annual SVH Luncheon on November 14, 2015. Please contact reunion volunteers:

- Liz Rigney Lebowitz at 516-431-3751
- Mary Reilly Frawley at 914-391-2777
- Joanne Billott at 718-634-3665

Eileen Cashman Trunk reports that she is listed as the Class of 1979 in correspondence she receives from the Alumnae Association. We apologize, Eileen, and will make the necessary correction. Eileen shares, "Celebrating 40 years as a SVH Alumnae... a milestone of which I am very proud!"

Class of '82

Frank Niesuchouski '82 saw this image while attending a photo exhibition by Peter Hujar. He thinks the nurses in the picture were members of his class and wanted them to know that they are part of history!



Student Nurse Statues

Interested in a statue of an SVH student nurse, right down to the bandage scissors carried in her apron and the crease in her cap. These 8.5" statues, colored in metallic bronze, are available for \$25.00 plus shipping and handling of \$15.00.

Please order from:

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SAVE THE DATE!

The annual SVH Alumnae Association Luncheon will be held on Saturday, November 14, 2015. Information about the luncheon will be sent to you shortly. Please make every effort to attend and bring your friends and classmates!

SVH ALUMNAE DIRECTORY

The SVH Alumnae Association directory, last updated in 1999, is being updated again. The Association has partnered with the Harris Connect Group, a company that has been publishing for 50 years and is expected to provide us with a directory that meets our needs.

You may have already received a post card asking you to call Harris Connect to update your information. Please response to their request! Though your participation is completely voluntary, the directory provides you with a great opportunity to reconnect with friends and classmates, and also network professionally with other alumnae. In addition, for the first time, you can also include a picture and biographical sketch of yourself, updating your friends on the latest news in your life.

HELP WANTED!

Sr. Ann Costello, Health Coordinator, is looking for a nurse to work with her caring for the Sisters of Charity. Sr. Ann covers the sisters in various nursing homes. If interested, please call her directly to learn more about the position.

Sr. Ann Castello
Sisters of Charity Center
261 Riverdale Ave
Bronx, New York 10471
718-549-8334 or 718-549-9200, Extension 233

MORE GOSSIP FROM WEST 12TH STREET...

If you don't live in NYC, or haven't heard any news about the construction at the old SVH site, take a look at this aerial view of the new complex being built there, The Greenwich Lane Condos and Townhouses.

The site of the former School of Nursing is now called 150 West 12th Street, a restored property that is describes

as "pre-war heritage, carried through in the residences with formal, classically English paneling and moldings, rich herringbone floors in the living rooms, and fine mosaic details. Private, elegant, and serene."

To see more about the new complex being built on the site of the hospital, visit <http://www.thegreenwichlane.com/overview.php>



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Rosemary Drucker Preis '44

Marie Quinn O'Grady '52

Joan Kelly Shapiro '54

Maureen Dempsey Keenan '55

Josephine Seuringer Mahoney '56

Eileen Carroll O'Connor '60

Ann Kavanagh Mandt '62

Patricia McShane Sturiano '67, sister of Maryann McShane Sturiano '63

Maureen Maher Meehan '65

Mary Kay Dennis Ivory '70

Dr. John J Drucker, husband of Marguerite Mershon Drucker '43 and

brother of the late Rosemary Drucker Preis '44

Michael Fitzell, son of Ann Flechaus Fitzell '64

Ann Walsh, sister of Joan Walsh Cassidy '64

Neal R. Hemmer, husband of Bernadette Fleming Hemmer '68

Maureen Maher Meehan '65 of Somers, NY, formerly of Floral Park, NY died on Sunday, August 2, 2015. Maureen taught nursing at our School of Nursing for over two decades and also worked as a hospital executive. In addition, she wrote and directed award-winning educational films.

Maureen was a kind, gentle, intelligent and generous teacher and mentor who gave of herself entirely and embodied selflessness. She was beloved by all and is dearly missed. She leaves her devoted husband, Raymond, two daughters and three grandchildren, a sister, and nieces and nephews.

Editor's Note

We are sad to report that our editor, Bernadette Fleming Hemmer '68, lost her husband Neal in May 2015, after more than 45 years of marriage. Neal was larger than life, the original party-starter and was more full of life than you could imagine. He was a loving family man, devoted to Bernadette, their 3 daughters and 8 grandchildren and loved his friends like extended family. He is sorely missed by all of us who knew him and we extend our heartfelt sympathies to Bernadette.

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