

Columns



BEYOND THE DOME:
ALUMNAE OF THE LAST DECADE



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A NOTE OF GRATITUDE

Dear HNA Community,

Thank you to HNA, its alumnae, and our broader community for the opportunity to serve as Director of Alumnae Relations for the past four years. It has been a joy connecting with so many of you, especially during reunions and other alumnae events. As I move on to pursue an advanced degree in the mental health field, I carry with me deep appreciation for this vibrant, engaged community. I know it will continue to thrive, and I look forward to seeing you at future HNA events!

Warmly, Michaela Bromfield '07

DEAR ALUMNAE AND FRIENDS,

As we prepare for another exciting school year at Holy Names Academy, I find myself reflecting on the beautiful balance between tradition and transformation. Since our founding, HNA has remained steadfast in its mission: to educate young women in the Catholic tradition of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary, fostering faith, academic excellence, leadership, and a commitment to justice. While the world around us continues to evolve, our mission remains deeply rooted and relevant. What continues to evolve are the ways we continue to strengthen and sustain that mission for future generations.

This coming school year marks several important developments in the life of our school. One significant change is the transition to a new governance model featuring both a Head of School/President and Principal structure. This is a common leadership model in many Catholic schools across the country, and it allows for a clearer division of responsibilities and greater strategic focus. Most importantly, it positions Holy Names Academy to remain strong and mission-centered well into the future. I will remain in my role as Head of School, overseeing the entire school operation and focusing on the duties of a President—strategic leadership, mission, advancement, finance, enrollment, and alumnae and community relations. The current Vice Principal of Academics, Marianne Harris McGah '01, will assume the role of Principal to oversee academics, faculty, student life, and daily school operations.

We are also embracing a meaningful academic change with the implementation of a modified block schedule. For decades, students under the Dome have followed the familiar rhythm of six classes each day. While beloved and longstanding, educational research and the evolving needs of students have invited us to reconsider how time can best support learning and wellness. Our new schedule—three 80-minute classes a day with one day a week of six classes—will provide longer instructional periods, greater opportunities for collaboration and deeper engagement, and a more balanced pace for students and faculty. Though the structure of the school day will look different, the heart of an HNA education—rigorous academics grounded in relationships and care for the whole person—will remain at the center of the HNA experience.

Perhaps most profound, however, are the visionary changes unfolding within the sponsorship and leadership of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary. With remarkable



foresight, the Sisters recognized the need to ensure that their mission and legacy would continue into the future as the number of Sisters available for active ministry declines. After years of prayerful discernment and careful planning, the Sisters established Holy Names Educational Ministries (HNEM), a Vatican-approved juridic person to continue the sponsorship and stewardship of the SNJM-sponsored schools across the United States and Canada.

This historic step ensures that all SNJM schools will remain connected through the shared values, mission, and educational philosophy that have shaped generations of students. HNEM will continue to guide and support our schools while preserving the charism and legacy of the Sisters of the Holy Names. It is both a continuation and an evolution—a powerful example of faith-filled leadership and long-term stewardship.

The Sisters also thoughtfully created an Associate Program, inviting those who work within SNJM ministries and those inspired by the SNJM mission to more intentionally carry forward the SNJM legacy. We are fortunate to have many Associates within our own Holy Names community, including Marianne Harris McGah '01, Julie Raney '82, Julie Tilghman, and me. We are especially proud that our former Head of School and Principal, Liz Eldredge Swift '71, is also an SNJM Associate and serves on the Sponsor's Leadership Council for HNEM, helping to guide this next chapter for all Holy Names sponsored schools.

Holy Names Academy has always been more than a school. It is a community rooted in relationships, faith, courage, and purpose. The changes ahead are thoughtful and intentional steps to ensure that future generations of young women will continue to experience the transformative education and enduring sisterhood that have defined Holy Names Academy for more than a century.

Thank you for remaining an important part of this story. Your support, prayers, and continued connection help sustain the mission entrusted to us by the Sisters of the Holy Names. Together, we move forward with gratitude for our past and confidence in our future.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kim Dawson". The script is fluid and cursive.

Kim Dawson
Head of School and Principal

ALUMNAE OF THE LAST DECADE

For more than 145 years, Holy Names Academy graduates have carried their HNA education into the world, using it as a foundation for lives of purpose, leadership, and impact. We often celebrate alumnae at major milestones—50-year reunions, career achievements, retirements, and decades of service. But there is also meaning in looking closer to the beginning: at the years just after graduation, when young alumnae make the choices, take the risks, and discover the paths that will shape who they become.

HNA boasts hundreds of graduates from the last decade, each with a story worth celebrating. This cover article offers a glimpse into the lives of five recent alumnae and the many directions an HNA education can lead. From medical school in the Caribbean to a tech company in San Francisco, from AI ethics and investment banking to Catholic education, these young women are drawing from the foundation they formed under the Dome. Their stories remind us that legacy is not reserved for the end of a journey. It begins with the quiet decisions and unexpected turns taken along the way.

Mackenzie Jorgensen '16



Mackenzie attended Villanova University and graduated magna cum laude with a B.S. in Computer Science and minor in Philosophy, and as a member of Phi Beta Kappa. She then pursued her PhD in Computer Science, researching algorithmic fairness and AI ethics at King's College London. Since

finishing her PhD, MacKenzie has stayed in the United Kingdom and is working as a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at Northumbria University on the PROBABLE Futures (Probabilistic AI Systems in Law Enforcement Futures) research project, researching responsible AI adoption and evaluation.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE PLACE AT HOLY NAMES ACADEMY—AND WHY?

I loved the views from the classrooms on the 4th floor in the early morning; they were absolutely stunning.

WHAT IS ONE THING YOU GAINED FROM HNA FOR WHICH YOU ARE ESPECIALLY GRATEFUL?

As cliché as it sounds, I'm grateful for the amazing people that I met at school. Whether it was through meeting one of my closest friends in Mr. Hunt's Honors Precalculus class or meeting another dear friend during the Search Retreat my senior year, I made wonderful friends. I'm lucky to live with one of them in London now, which makes it feel more like home.

WHAT SKILL OR MINDSET DEVELOPED AT HNA DO YOU LEAN ON THE MOST?

My mindset on continuing to learn and ask critical questions about the status quo has stayed with me most. This mindset is something I use almost every day within my research and volunteer work. While I was a student at HNA after experiencing the gender gap in the STEM field firsthand during a visit to Microsoft headquarters, I founded a non-profit organization called Women Advancing Tomorrow's Technologies aimed at providing opportunities for girls in STEM; I continue my support of the non-profit to this day.



Gina Olsen Ness '16



Gina received her B.A. in Education from Western Washington University with a dual endorsement in Special Education. During the summers, she worked as a counselor at Camp Don Bosco, which ignited her passion for working with middle schoolers. After college, she began her teaching career at Holy Rosary Edmonds, where she

has worked for five years as the 7th-grade homeroom teacher. On the weekends, she goes hiking with her dad and volunteers with the Sunday dinner program at Blessed Sacrament Church in Seattle.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE PLACE AT HOLY NAMES ACADEMY—AND WHY?

The auditorium—from early-morning choir rehearsals to the excitement of school assemblies, the space is always filled with joyful energy.

WHAT IS ONE THING YOU GAINED FROM HNA FOR WHICH YOU ARE ESPECIALLY GRATEFUL?

Confidence. My teachers helped me trust that my own voice and message was worth sharing. That self-assurance has empowered me through college and beyond to take chances and put myself out there, in ways I couldn't imagine



when I was younger. I now work to encourage that kind of confidence in my own students!

WHAT IS A SMALL HNA MEMORY THAT STILL MAKES YOU SMILE?

My time on the History Bowl team! Practicing during lunch period, singing along to "Hamilton" on the bus ride to competitions, and just having fun with my teammates, whether we took home a trophy or not. I love that HNA has a place for everyone and a way of bringing girls together in community to share their talents and passions.

THE CARIBBEAN *London* NYC
San Francisco WASHINGTON

A LEGACY OF LIFELONG EXPERIENCES & MEMORIES.

Aparajita Chauhan '17

Aparajita attended Yale University, where she earned a B.S. in Cognitive Science and coxed for Yale Women's Crew all four years. While taking a gap year during COVID, she worked as a Product Manager at a tech company in Boston, Mass., a role she held after her graduation in 2022. In 2023, she transitioned into finance, spending two years as a Growth Equity Investor at Volition Capital. Most recently, Aparajita moved to New York City to join Left Lane Capital as a Venture Capital and Growth Equity Investor. She lives with her sister, Paavnee Chauhan '20.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE PLACE AT HOLY NAMES ACADEMY—AND WHY?

I always loved the HNA Chapel. Often, during finals, I would sit there to de-stress and meditate in between exams. I found it more effective than studying!

WHAT IS ONE THING YOU GAINED FROM HNA FOR WHICH



YOU ARE ESPECIALLY GRATEFUL?

The four walls of HNA are so unique. The impact of being fully surrounded by strong, smart women across our leadership, teachers, and peers is hard

to put into words, but I think HNA graduates enter the world very empowered.

WHAT SKILL OR MINDSET DEVELOPED AT HNA DO YOU LEAN ON THE MOST?

Grit—everyone says HNA preps you for college, and it's true both academically and personally. Hard work is rewarded and recognized, but you're in an environment where you're allowed to make mistakes. You learn how to work through challenges and how to take care of yourself—both are crucial skills. As a result, all the HNA women I know are incredibly well-rounded and resilient.

Lyra D'Souza '19

Lyra attended Cornell University, where she earned a B.S. in Computer Science and English. She then spent a handful of months conducting research with large language models before taking a position as an Accessibility Software Engineer at Apple in San Francisco. In her spare time, Lyra enjoys reading, birding, volunteering with the parks service, and playing frisbee.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE PLACE AT HOLY NAMES ACADEMY—AND WHY?

The science labs on the fourth floor of the school are special. Watching the sunrise through the windows on a winter morning was ethereal.



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LYRA D'SOUZA '19 Continued

WHAT IS ONE THING YOU GAINED FROM HNA FOR WHICH YOU ARE ESPECIALLY GRATEFUL?

Holy Names gave me the confidence to pursue things that I thought were out of my reach, a confidence I still have to this day. Interestingly, I had not used a computer until I started school at HNA, and the thought of using technology was daunting. I decided to take the Advanced Placement Computer Science class my junior year, thanks in large part to the encouragement of my freshman year math teacher. I loved

the class because it opened up an educational and career path that I remain on to this day as a software engineer.

WHAT IS A SMALL HNA MEMORY THAT STILL MAKES YOU SMILE?

I played violin for the HNA orchestra (and I was atrocious). But I did it because I loved the feeling of us all making music together. I especially enjoyed playing "Lamb of God" in the nave of St. Joe's Church—I'd get a little thrill every time.

Kara Trotman '19

Kara attended Emory University, where she earned a B.S. in Biology and a B.A. in Spanish before graduating in 2023. After college, she worked at Northwest Eye Surgeons, nannied for a family connected to the HNA community, and volunteered at the Aurora Commons, supporting women experiencing homelessness. A soccer player at HNA, Kara continued playing at the club level in college and recreationally after graduation. She is now a first-year medical student at the American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine, where she is exploring specialties and has a strong interest in OB/GYN.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE PLACE AT HOLY NAMES ACADEMY—AND WHY?

My favorite places at HNA are the classrooms. They are comfortable, welcoming spaces where I often spent time beyond class—whether attending club meetings, finishing homework, or eating lunch with friends. Those spaces make learning feel collaborative and low-stress, which helped me stay engaged and balanced throughout the day.

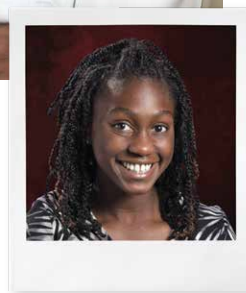
HOW DO YOU IMAGINE SOME OF THE HNA VALUES GUIDING YOUR FUTURE CHOICES IN LIFE?

The values of sisterhood, confidence, and service that I developed at HNA continue to shape my goals, especially my interest in pursuing OB/GYN.



I am particularly motivated by the opportunity to support women—especially Black women, who face disproportionately higher maternal health risks. HNA instilled in me both the confidence to pursue a demanding career and the responsibility to use it in service of others. While I remain open to different specialties, I often find myself drawn back to this path because of the foundation HNA gave me.

WHAT IS A SMALL HNA MEMORY THAT STILL MAKES YOU SMILE?



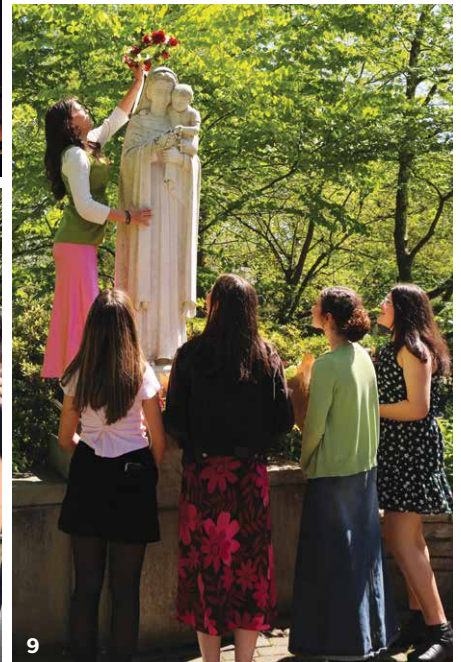
My senior year stands out as a time when I was truly able to enjoy everything HNA had to offer. While taking a rigorous course load and holding leadership roles while playing soccer, I felt confident and supported rather than overwhelmed. That sense of balance allowed me to fully

appreciate moments like Jogathon and Homecoming, as well as the friendships I built. Looking back, it was a year where I not only celebrated my accomplishments but also grew into the person that I am today.



WHAT'S GOING ON AT HNA?

1. Class retreats are a meaningful part of the HNA experience, offering time for reflection and opportunities to building lasting memories with classmates. For many, four years at HNA is not complete without attending a Search Retreat—formerly known as Encounter. This spring, Search 64 offered students, faculty, and staff a chance to connect, reflect, and recharge.
2. The Flag Football team displayed exceptional teamwork and dedication on the field, capturing the Metro Championship during the inaugural WIAA Flag Football season in January. Congratulations to Coach Abby Kovac, HNA's Assistant Athletic Director, and to the Cougars on this historic achievement!
3. In February, the Multicultural Student Union, which includes the Black Student Union, presented "Rhythms of Resistance," a powerful and engaging assembly honoring the roots and evolution of Black music and its profound influence on every genre we know today. Many outside artists and entertainers from the community joined HNA in singing and dancing, including Pamela Yasutake '06, who is a professional tap dancer and choreographer.
4. The HNA Robotics team (Reign Robotics) worked hard to tighten bolts and fine-tune code this year, earning them a spot in the Finalist Alliance at the PNW District Bonney Lake event and brought home the Team Spirit Award at the PNW District Sammamish event. The team's design was built from the ground up and engineered to collect as many dodgeballs as possible in two and a half minutes.
5. "One Singular Sensation!" echoed off the walls of HNA's theatre during this year's spring musical, *A Chorus Line: Teen*



Edition. Beyond acting, singing, and learning choreography, HNA theatre productions offer dozens of students the chance to learn about behind-the-scenes roles, including lighting, sound, costume design, and hair and make-up.

6. Student-led clubs are a hallmark of the HNA experience. This year, students could choose from 44 clubs, including Civics Club, Formula 1 Racing Club, *The Dome Magazine*, Wellness Club, and Crafting with Christ. Fishing Club quickly became a favorite, giving students the chance to learn knot-tying, fly-making, and casting techniques.
7. Students in HNA's Physics class gained hands-on experience soldering circuit boards—a project that both Physics Teacher Becca Shope '95 and her students eagerly anticipate each year.

8. May 1st is widely known as the official College Decision Day. HNA seniors were encouraged to represent the school they chose to attend in the fall. The celebration highlighted the many exciting paths the Class of 2026 will take after graduation.
9. Mary Day is a cherished, annual tradition celebrated during an all-school Mass honoring students nominated by their peers for embodying the spirit of the Blessed Virgin Mary through kindness and compassion. This year, Julia '26, was crowned Mary Queen. She laid a flower crown on HNA's Mary statue while students were invited to lay roses at the statue's feet. Other honored students included Casey '26, Naya '27, Taylor '28, and Mia '29.

CELEBRATING HNA LEGACIES FROM THE CLASS OF 2029

The Class of 2029 includes 39 legacy students—students who are relatives of current HNA students or HNA alumnae. In October, the Alumnae Office recognized this special relationship with the 9th graders at the Legacy Dessert Reception held during lunch. Each student received a treat and had time to mingle with new classmates. Of the 39 students, nine are daughters, granddaughters, or great-granddaughters of HNA alumnae.

(L-R): Cadence (mother: Brigid Raney-Jerrell '98); Adele (great-grandmother: Irene Rigley '38); Siena (mother: Jenny Lobo '97); Tatum (mother: Rochelle Tate '00); and Kaitlyn (great-grandmother: Helen Langdon '37 (dec.) and grandmother: Carol Langdon '64); Not Pictured: Angelina (mother: Stephanie Papagayo-Zarate '98); Anne (grandmother: Patricia Cowan '65); Finley (grandmother: Dona Plith '65); and Linnaea (mother: Lisa Anacker '93).



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SAVE THESE DATES

2026

September 12
Reunion Celebration

December 5
Deck the Dome

December 20
Young Alumnae
Holiday Social

2027

March 6
Alumnae Luncheon

March 20
Easter Egg Hunt

April 17
Annual CHEER Dinner and Auction

May 22
50th-Year/50+ Alumnae Reunion

June 4
Sip, Sip, Hooray! Wine Tasting at HNA

ANNUAL DONOR APPRECIATION DINNER:

CELEBRATING LIGHT & LEADERSHIP



Keynote speaker Alesia Romero.

The annual Donor Appreciation Dinner is a testament to the faithfulness and generosity of the HNA community. This year's celebration—inspired by the Academy's theme for the year: Lead with Light. Live with Love—was no exception. At their tables, guests were invited to share with each other a moment when someone at the Academy lit the way for them. Sharing fond memories set the tone

for an evening filled with laughter, meaningful conversations, and a spirit of deep gratitude. After enjoying a delicious meal catered by Tuxedos & Tennis Shoes and honoring the year's top donors, guests were inspired by keynote speaker Alesia Romero—HNA Spanish teacher, alum parent, and generous supporter, alongside her husband, Gustavo—whose warmth and connection to HNA's mission deeply resonated with attendees.



Nicole Mazwi (L) and Bay Mazwi, current 9th-grade parents.



(L-R): Chris and Kris Nelson, current 10th-grade parents, with Kim Dawson, HNA Head of School & Principal.



HNA'S ANNUAL PHONATHONS NOW INCLUDE TEXT MESSAGING!

Each year, the Advancement Office invites alumnae to participate in the Annual Giving Campaign during two phonathons, an effort that included nearly 1,000 text messages this year. These outreach efforts allow the Academy to maximize fundraising efforts and continue its mission of educating and inspiring young women. If you have not already done so, please join our text system to stay informed about HNA advancement events and updates, and keep an eye out for messages from (866) 621-2015—it is HNA reaching out! To receive texts, scan the QR code or text "cougars" to the number above.



2025 ALUMNAE REUNION CELEBRATION

After HNA students head back to school, it is time to welcome alumnae back to celebrate their class reunion. The Alumnae Office holds the Reunion Celebration each September for classes celebrating a milestone reunion between five and 45 years. This time, the Classes of '80, '85, '90, '95, '00, '05, '10, '15, and '20 were back under the Dome to connect with former classmates, meet other alumnae, and learn about all that is happening at Holy Names Academy. Thank you to everyone who attended!



Members of the Class of 1985



Members of the Class of 1990



Members of the Class of 1995



Members of the Class of 2000



Members of the Class of 2005



Members of the Class of 2010



Members of the Class of 2015

YOUNG ALUMNAE HOLIDAY SOCIAL

The joy in reconnecting with each other was palpable during the Young Alumnae Holiday Social this past December when alumnae from the Classes of 2016 through 2025 returned to HNA for this annual celebration. Each year, the Alumnae Office awards a recent graduate with the Young Alumna Community Service Award, which was renamed this year as the Young Alumna Mission Award to better reflect the many ways, in addition to service, recent graduates live out HNA's mission by making a difference in their communities.

Holy Names Academy and the Alumnae Office were pleased to honor Julia Causbie '21 with the 2025 Young Alumnae Mission Award for her leadership and dedication to her community with a special focus on supporting the mental health of student athletes and adaptive solutions for children and adults with physical disabilities. Additionally, Julia has volunteered at her local food pantries consistently since her



2025 Young Alumna Mission Award recipient, Julia Causbie '21.

time at HNA, where she made her mark in athletics, community service, and leadership. Her legacy lives on at HNA through the "Julia Causbie Excellence in Athletics Award," which was established the year she graduated from HNA. Following HNA, Julia graduated from Pacific Lutheran University Summa Cume Laude with a B.S. in Kinesiology. While a PLU student, Julia established PLU's first-ever chapter of The Hidden Opponent, an organization advocating for athlete mental health, education, and support. She volunteered regularly at a local food pantry, with an organization that helps children with physical disabilities play sports, and as an advocate for equity for adults and children with physical disabilities. She also played on the women's soccer team for four years and the track and field team for one. Julia currently attends the George Washington University's Doctorate in Physical Therapy Program and plans to work in pediatric physical therapy.



Elizabeth Dunigan '16 (L) and Amelia Butzon '22.



Members of the Class of 2025 attend their first alumnae event. (L-R): Gabby Knipe, Kate Beckman, Allie Staiger, McKenzie Gatheru, Lucelia Thompson, Sophie Wong.



(L-R): Adrienne Johnson '20, Elena Kline '20, Ella Cotter '20, Amelia Kline '24.



(L-R): Minda Chen '22, Nalani Young '22, Taylor O'Brien '22, Maura Switzer '21, Julia Causbie '21, Grace Kelly '21.

2026 ALUMNAE LUNCHEON

During the annual Alumnae Luncheon held on March 7 at Overlake Golf and Country Club, guests were treated to the sounds of The Holy Harmonies—a student string quartet—which played as guests arrived. A sense of deep appreciation for HNA filled the room, most meaningfully as 2026 Distinguished Alumna Dr. Kris Keough '74 accepted her award and shared her reflection. Kris was honored for her compassionate care as a career clinical ethicist specializing in palliative care, serving as the Director of Ethics for 30 years at St. John Medical Center in Longview, and establishing the grief ministry programs at several Catholic parishes in Washington. Throughout her career, she assisted



Left: 2026 Distinguished Alumna Dr. Kris Keough '74.

patients, families, and colleagues navigate some of the most complex and tender moments in healthcare. Her focus was end-of-life care, and she brought both clinical insight and deep compassion to every ethics consultation. Kris has always viewed her career more as a vocation and feels as though she is called by her faith to do this work. At the luncheon, Kris spoke sincerely of the profound impact that HNA, and the friendships she made while in school, have had on her. Her desire to accompany others in their darkest times demonstrates her sustained commitment to her community.



Above: SaSa Delorie Kirkpatrick '71 (L) and Rosemary Byrne '70.

Left: More than 15 members of the Class of 1974 came to support their classmate, Dr. Kris Keough '74 (center), as she accepted her Distinguished Alumna Award.



(L-R): Kim Carhee '85, Bridget Carney '76, Joy Aquino '85, Regina Bagasan Powell '85.



(L-R): Judy Marl Killion '57, Kathleen Tomkins Donohue '57, Julia Weinerth Ochsner '57.

SPRINGTIME CHILDREN'S EVENT:

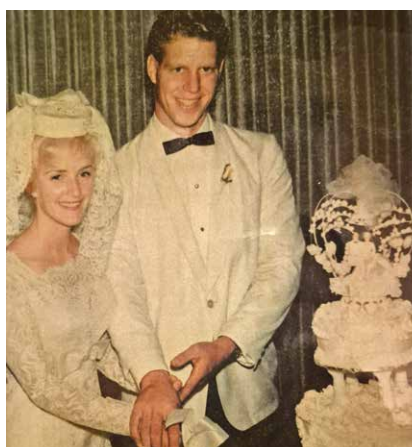
EASTER EGG HUNT

Many thanks to the Alumnae Board for hosting a great pop-up event this March. Alumnae with young children "hopped" up to HNA for a sweet morning Easter egg hunt. The front of the school was decorated with colorful eggs for children to collect, and Charlie the Cougar even made a surprise visit dressed as the Easter Bunny! Stay tuned for next year's springtime event.

Thank you to all who attended!



ALUMNAE UPDATES



Christine Sifferman Hauser '60 and her husband, Joseph, on their wedding day (L) and at their 60th anniversary party in early 2026.

Christine Sifferman Hauser '60 and her husband, Joseph, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary earlier this year with a party in the Aruba Room at St. Joseph's Church, where they were married. More than 60 of their friends and family members joined them to mark this special occasion. They have three children, nine grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren! Chris and Joe are retired and live on the beautiful Skykomish River in Gold Bar, Washington. Christine writes, "We are happy, healthy, and enjoying life every day. Praise God!"

Ann Speirs '64 continues to write and publish books of poetry with Empty Bowl Press. She frequently participates in several poetry readings and speaking engagements regarding her newest book, *Wild Cucumber*.

Terry Douglas '70 wrote a book titled *Father Doug: The Stories he Could Tell* in honor of her late brother and Seattle-area Catholic priest Rev. Gordon W. Douglas, affectionately known as "Father Doug." Following his passing, Terry found comfort and meaning in his reflections and homilies, which inspired her to share them with others. This book offers "a refreshing take on spirituality that is accessible to all. Each chapter acts as a gentle nudge, inviting readers to embrace their faith with renewed vigor and to find joy in the mundane." (Palmetto Publishing). The book can be purchased at Barnes and Nobel or Amazon. All proceeds will go to Bishop Blanchet High School, where Fr. Doug was Chaplain for 38 years.



Ann Speirs '64.

ALUMNAE UPDATES



Ranae Munoz Ausbrooks '80 and her daughter, **Elaina Ausbrooks '12**, went on a Mediterranean cruise all over Greece, Croatia, Slovenia, Montenegro, and Italy in November 2025. They had the opportunity to be present for a papal audience in the Vatican City, which was a special highlight.

Sara del Moral '92 lives in Olympia with her husband. She works for the State of Washington as an economic forecaster and statistician, with a focus on transportation and revenue forecasting. Outside of work, she enjoys aerial silks and spending time outdoors, especially gardening with native plants.

Regina Davis-Niles '01 is serving in the US Navy JAG Corps as a Lieutenant Commander and living in Norfolk, VA. She is currently assigned to the pre-commissioning unit aboard John F. Kennedy (CVN 79) as the Command Judge Advocate, also known as the Ship's Judge. Regina leads the Legal Department aboard the John F. Kennedy (CVN 79) in support of a crew of 2,300 sailors. The crew of the John F. Kennedy (CVN 79) recently completed initial sea trials, conducting various at-sea testing and ship operations.

Sabina Bloom '13 and **Shannon Duffy '13** ran the 2025 TCS New York City Marathon in November 2025. It was Shannon's second time running the marathon and Sabina's first. Once Sabina and Shannon re-connected, they realized that they both live in Brooklyn quite close to each other! Sabina lives in the Fort Greene

1. Ranae Munoz Ausbrooks '80 (L) and Elaina Ausbrooks '12.
2. LCDR Regina Davis-Niles '01, JAGC, USN.
3. Captain Olivia Lewis Piscitelli '16 (L) and First Lieutenant Lauren Arndt '16, RN.
4. Sabina Bloom '13 (L) and Shannon Duffy '13.
5. Gina Olsen '16 with her husband, Clayton.

area, and Shannon in downtown Brooklyn. They enjoyed meeting up for a few training runs before the marathon and went to the starting line together for a photo opp.

First Lieutenant Lauren Arndt '16 and **Captain Olivia Lewis Piscitelli '16** were pleasantly surprised last year when they were at work and ran into each other! Both are Officers in the US Air Force and were on a medical flight training mission when Lauren, who is a Clinical Air Force Nurse, stopped by the cockpit to see Olivia at the controls in her role as a C-17 Globemaster Pilot. They enjoyed a quick moment of celebration and were sure to tell the rest of the flight crew that they attended high school together. Lauren and Olivia are both Reservist Air Force Officers at McCord Air Force Base in Tacoma, serving in different squadrons.

Gina Olsen '16 married Clayton Ness on November 22, 2025, at the University of Washington Newman Center. They live in Seattle, and Gina currently works as a middle school teacher at Holy Rosary Edmonds.

ALUMNAE UPDATES



Juliana Lynch '16 and **Jennifer Cook '21** were strangers until they started talking in February at the 2026 Olympic Winter Games in Italy. They learned that not only were they both from Seattle, but they also share an alma mater! While Juliana was at the Games as a spectator, Jennifer was there for work. She is the U.S. Men's Alpine Ski Team Manager and is one of a few women who hold this role. Juliana lives and works in London in the film marketing and distribution field.

Meg Rutherford '16 and **Hope Juzon '19** began working as judicial law clerks at the Washington Court of Appeals, Division II. Meg is a graduate of Seattle University School of Law, and Hope is a graduate of the University of Washington School of Law.

Former HNA Gymnastics Team members reunited over the holidays in December and enjoyed catching up with HNA Gymnastics coach, Donny Gallagos. Alumnae in attendance were **Elena Fowler '17**, **Kaysa Lundberg '19**, **Maya McDonald '19**, **Cait McNeill '20**, **Ella Schattenkerk '21**, **Sierra Snavlin '21**, **Sofia Frazzini '22**, and **Sarah Klute '22**.

Marissa Valdivia Reagle '17 married Paul Kaplan on August 4, 2024, in Seattle. Many HNA alumnae were in attendance from the Classes of '85, '87, '89, '91, '95, '17, '18, '19, and '22.

Ays Garcia '19 will be starring as the lead, Corrie Bratter, in The Taproot Theatre's production of *Barefoot in the Park* by Neil Simon. Ays is an accomplished actor who

1. (L-R): Ella Schattenkerk '21, Sofia Frazzini '22, Sarah Klute '22, Elena Fowler '17, Donny Gallagos, Kaysa Lundberg '19, Maya McDonald '19, Sierra Snavlin '21, Cait McNeill '20.
2. Ays Garcia '19.
3. Jennifer Cook '21 (L) and Juliana Lynch '16.
4. Marissa Valdivia Reagle Kaplan '17 with many HNA alumnae family and friends on her wedding day.
5. Meg Rutherford '16 (L) and Hope Juzon '19.

has graced the stages of many Seattle-area theatres in productions like *Cinderella* (Village Theatre), *Mamma Mia* (Village Theatre), *Educational Theatre Touring Company* (5th Ave), *Stage of Fools* (Seattle Public), and *Snowed In Again* (Artswest).

ALUMNAE UPDATES



Delaney Dermody '21 and **Beatriz de Lucas Sacristan '21** graduated from Columbia University in May 2025. Delaney graduated with a degree in political science from Barnard College, and Beatriz graduated with a dual degree from Sciences Po in France. Delaney works in NYC as a litigation paralegal at Cravath, Swaine & Moore, and Beatriz lives in Washington D.C. and works at the World Bank Treasury.

Gabbie Graves '21 graduated from the University of Michigan with a degree in economics and philosophy in 2025. At HNA, Gabbie was on the crew team, and she went on to row in college. While at the University of Michigan, Gabbie rowed in the eight shell for all four years, winning the second team All-American honors and two Big Ten championships in 2023 and 2024. Gabbie also earned academic accolades three times as an Academic Big Ten honoree. Currently, Gabbie is an assistant coach for the Women's Rowing Team at the University of Michigan. When not working with her athletes, Gabbie is also raising awareness about rowing on social media, where she aims to inspire rowers of all ages. You can find her at [tiktok.com/@she_is_speed](https://www.tiktok.com/@she_is_speed).

Aliyah Alexander '25 participated in the 2025 Washington Rhinestone Debutante Ball, where she was crowned Queen. She earned the title of Debutante Queen by achieving the highest cumulative high school grade-point average among her peers and was awarded a \$2,000 scholarship from the Washington Rhinestone organization. Aliyah currently attends North Carolina A&T State University, where she is pursuing a degree in animal science.

Mariette Jones '25 participated in the 2025 Washington Rhinestone Debutante Ball in December, where she earned the title of First Runner-Up in recognition of her outstanding grade-point average. She received a \$1,000 scholarship from the Washington Rhinestone Club, along with three additional awards. Mariette currently attends Clark Atlanta University, where she is pursuing a degree in psychology. She is the daughter of **Harnette Slade Jones '83**.

1. Beatriz de Lucas Sacristan '21 (L) and Delaney Dermody '21.
2. Gabbie Graves '21.
3. Aliyah Alexander '25.
Photo: Kieth Williams of Flyright Productions.
4. Harnette Slade Jones '83 (L) and her daughter, Mariette '25, at the Washington Rhinestone Debutante Ball in December 2025.

SHARE YOUR NEWS!

Did you graduate, move, study abroad, receive an award, get married, get a pet, change careers, have a baby, start a business, or get together with your HNA classmates?

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The Holy Names Academy community prayerfully remembers these alumnae and their families:

Kathryne "Kit" Eisen McGarry '41
Bette Loggins Sifferman '41
Colleen O'Keefe Rosinbum '43
Phyllis Young Flood '46
Sally Sheridan Porter '48
Mary Pluemer Walter '49
Jacquelyn "Lynn" Moore Olson '50
Barbara Elkins Williamson '50
Carol Ann Read '53
Janet Johnson Kirschen '55
Joyce Barry '56
Suzanne MacArthur Folger '56
Barbara Moore Petzold '57
Leanne Morrison Garn '59
Victoria Slind-Flor '61
Elizabeth "Betsy" Timmons Flynn '63
Nora Walker Alsager '64
Jackalee Vestal Koeneman '64
Patricia Bulzomi Simon '67
Marilyn Rausch Hackett '69
Roberta Farris '74

Teresa LaCugna Fields '78
Krista Cossalter Sandberg '80
Erin Chapman Kansala '93
Richie Aanderud, father of Sarah Wahlen, HNA faculty member
Sister Dorothy Dees, SNJM, beloved HNA faculty member for 29 years
Millicent "Millie" DeForeest, mother of Kathie DeForeest Lailey '70, Joanne DeForeest McCandless '79, and Tricia DeForeest King '73
Maria Dodds, mother of Alex Dodds McMillan '66
Fr. Gordon Douglas, brother of Gayle Douglas Murphy '57 and Terry Douglas '70
Bernard Hetzler, husband of Cathy Zipp Hetzler '67
Norberta Ann Hilliard, mother of Tracy Hilliard '95
Carol Jergens, mother of Laurie Jergens Schuster '82 and Suzanne Jergens Lewis '85; grandmother of Katie Schuster '09, Anna Lewis '14, and Emily Schuster '17

Carlo Pilgrim, husband of Cathy Smersh Pilgrim '74
John Radich, father of Natalie Radich, HNA faculty member
Tom Spyridis, former HNA employee and father of Maryanne Spyridis '84
Eugene Styer, father of Mary Styer Ramey '81 and Lisa Styer '82 (dec.)
Kathleen "Kitty" Walker, mother of Caryl Walker '68 and Mary Ellen Walker '71
Jan Waszak, mother of Catherine Waszak Mulcahy '04
Edward Welch, father of Mollie Welch '69, Theresa Welch Boggs '71, Cecelia Welch Davison '74, Monica Welch '79, Annie Welch Hawksford '83, and Sheila Welch Ayers (dec.) '83; grandfather of Christine Welch '88, Taylor Davison '10, Montana Hawksford '13, Ivy Hawksford '18, and Olivia Welch '19
Colleen Withee, mother of Mary Withee West '69
James Venable, husband of Jody Hynes Venable '74



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