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**Cover Photo:** (left to right) Class of 2016 alumnae Olivia Fahrmann and Jaye Hamilton

## **IN MEMORIAM**

Please keep these and all those who have passed away in your thoughts and prayers. Rosati-Kain was notified between January 2016 and April 2016 of the passing of the following alumnae. Memorial gifts may be made to Rosati-Kain by directing your gift along with the name of your family, friend or loved one to: Advancement Services, Rosati-Kain High School, 4389 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63108.

- 1940 Edwina Wright Bussmann
- 1941 Mercedes Bader Denu
- 1942 Rosemary Hogan Childress
- <u>1942 Elizabeth Tucker Schmidt\*</u>
- 1944 Mary Jane Mossinghoff Nacy
- 1946 Charmaine Collins Gabel
- 1946 Theresa Fontana Giudici\*
- 1946 Catherine Halter Landolt
- 1947 Virginia Percich Weber
- 1951 Jeanne Hughes Fleming

- 1955 Carol Conley Vollmann
- 1960 Maryann Schall Ravenstein
- 1964 Barbara Blanke
- 1965 Sandra Schwent Molitor
- 1966 Suzanne Purgahn Vinduska
- 1969 Judy Teiber
- Pete Palumbo\*, husband of Kathleen McCann Palumbo '65

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#### Rosati-Kain High School MISSION

Through a vibrant Catholic education, we cultivate the individuality, faith, talent, and aspirations of young women who will lead and serve the world.

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Dear Alumnae and Friends,

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." -JOHN 13:34-35

These words closed the gospel reading as we began the celebration of the legacy of Rosati-Kain on April 24 with Liturgy at the Cathedral Basilica where, for so many alumnae, their last act as an R-K senior was to walk up the steps to receive a diploma.

Love one another. The mark of the early Christian community that distinguished it from the rest of society was a great love of one another—strangers quickly became cherished companions. This is so Rosati! Throughout the liturgy the similarity between the early Christian community and the Rosati-Kain community filled my prayer.



How often has your Rosati-Kain gear prompted someone to reach out and identify as an alumna or the mother, father, son, daughter, sister or brother of an alumna? Our students tell me it happens often. And it usually results in a new-found friend.

Over the years, students have returned from service projects, field trips and other experiences to report the amazing people they met. Frequently there is that exceptional woman who is smart, passionate, capable and fearless—and guess what, a Rosati-Kain alumna.

This is the Rosati-Kain mission and always has been. "Cultivating the individuality, faith, talent and aspirations of young women." How can they help but lead and serve the world? All of this is done following the example of the early Christian community. Love one another. Alumnae weekend is just that, a celebration of loving one another and acknowledging our legacy. Honored classes from 1946 to 2006 were represented. The big sister class and the little sister class came to celebrate with the class of 1966. Linda Shead '64 received the legacy award for her dedicated service to R-K.

Future alumnae from the National Honor Society, the Instrumental Ensemble, and the R-K Voices enriched the celebration and watched the group with a sense of awe—so many women coming together with one major unifying element, Rosati-Kain High School, and the fact that in this community we truly love one another.

This is the spirit of every gathering of Rosati women—wherever two or more or gathered, God is in the midst of us and we love one another.

Thank you for witnessing the grace that comes from this community, rooted in Christ, aware of God within each of us and ready to reach out with caring and compassion. I am grateful for your prayer and your generosity to our school, our future, our legacy.

May God bless you, keep you, and love you,

'or

Sister Joan Andert, SSND President

### Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." - JOHN 20:21

Dear Rosati-Kain Community,

This year has indeed been a special one. As each academic year comes to a close, we recognize that this is a time of gratitude and sending. I am especially grateful to have had the opportunity to take this journey with the Class of 2016 for its last two years. The way these young women live out their lives demonstrates how they sincerely care about one another and are committed to spreading the teachings of Christ to all the corners of the earth. Whether they pursue careers in business, healthcare, engineering, law or the arts, I am confident that they will hold onto those gospel values that have been such an integral part of their four years at Rosati-Kain.

It is difficult and easy at the same time to "send off" the Class of 2016. It is difficult because they bring much joy to our community and, though they do not actually leave our community, their presence with us changes. These students displayed extraordinary leadership, academic excellence, a commitment to service and a depth of faith. Though I am confident our current juniors will indeed fill these big shoes, and I am excited for our graduates as they will in fact move on to the new experiences of their future, I will miss them.

On the other hand, it really is easy to "let go" of these students because I know they are ready. They are well prepared to conquer the challenges and to savor the joys that lie in front of them. As each one carves her own path, she will take with her not only a mastery of complex concepts and an abundance of critical thinking skills, but also the life skills she needs to be successful. A Rosati-Kain girl is a self-confident, creative, articulate woman of integrity. She is humble and discerns God's will before she acts. Bridget Taylor, Class of 2016 Valedictorian, said it best, "Class of 2016, take these valuable R-K qualities and show everyone out in the world that a Rosati girl is open minded, thoughtful, faith filled, well educated and supported. Never lose excitement for what the future brings, and do not forget the home we have at Rosati, where we have grown in these qualities."

The world is hungry for the strong Rosati-Kain women who not only become role models of success, but more significantly become servants to all as peacemakers, advocates for the poor and protectors of the environment.

Congratulations, Class of 2016. We thank you and we love you. Be at peace; you will do great!

Let us pray for each other.

Dr. Elizabeth ana Goodevin

Dr. Elizabeth Ann Goodwin Principal



# WHY I GIVE

When my classmate, Lisa Svetanics Mitchell, asked me to write about why I give, I joked that my piece would be short, because my primary reason is to guilt my three sisters into giving.

At least one of us attended Rosati through most of the 1980s and 1990s. In many ways, our experiences were very different, both because of our differences in age (think learning to type on a manual typewriter versus a computer) and because of our individual differences. But we all benefited in our own ways from the characteristics of a Rosati-Kain education that remained constant.

Rosati's mission statement is succinct and meaningful: "Through a vibrant Catholic education, we cultivate the individuality, faith, talent and aspirations of young women who will lead and serve the world." I had trouble being as concise when I started listing the specific ways Rosati fulfills this mission.

Of course, first on my list was the curriculum, which has a strong academic focus without sacrificing an emphasis on faith, service and the arts. Second was Rosati's commitment to the education of girls (*I also joked* with Lisa that I give to help girls' schools catch up with the long donor rolls of the boys' schools).

Those two hallmarks of a Rosati-Kain education alone are reason enough to give. But when I focused on the fact that Rosati is the only Archdiocesan, collegepreparatory, all-girls' high school in St. Louis, I realized that one of the most unique and valuable qualities of Rosati-Kain is how it has embraced its location.



As St. Louis changed, many schools relocated to the suburbs and to larger campuses. Rosati has remained in the city, made the most of the physical space it has (as demonstrated by its recent expansion), and used the city as its extended campus. While I doubt that as many students take the city bus or walk home as they did in my day, I am certain that today's students benefit from the vibrant neighborhood that surrounds Rosati, perhaps more than ever.

Forest Park and the Cathedral Basilica are easy to take for granted, but offer truly world-class cultural experiences. The Central West End, Midtown and Downtown each offer the diversity, vibrancy, and beauty that can only be found in a major city. At the same time, these areas present opportunities for Catholic girls to bear witness through service to their own neighbors in need.

Rosati draws students from across the metropolitan area, but in the end its student body reflects the urban neighborhood that surrounds it.



Consuelo is an attorney and a principal at Deloitte & Touche LLP in Washington D.C.

I don't think that's a coincidence. Rather, I think that is a result of the diverse appeal of Rosati's values.

Each of my sisters and I have followed our own paths since graduating from high school. We live in different cities, and our day-to-day lives differ in many ways. But, like most sisters, we also have many things in common. One of those is Rosati-Kain.

I give because I want to help ensure that a Rosati-Kain education remains accessible to girls today and in the future.

## COMING HOME to Rosati-Kain

The word "charism" in Catholic theology is defined as "a gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church, communicated through a particular person who gathers disciples around him or her with whom he or she translates a bold vision in action. Charism is a living passion for whatever dimension of the life of Christ is needed now."

Each year, the staff at Rosati-Kain reviews this meaning of charism and identifies one alumna who exemplifies these traits in her volunteerism for Rosati-Kain High School. Whether she is planning the Legacy Reunions, working at the Unique Boutique, cheering on our sports teams, or spreading the good news about Rosati-Kain to the larger community, this year's honoree never says "no" when Rosati-Kain calls to ask for her support. Her kind spirit and endless smile light up every room she enters, and her infectious laugh makes everyone around her happy to be in her presence. Rosati-Kain High School is proud to announce this year's award recipient: **Linda Shead '64**.

### "Linda lives her love for Jesus in a real and personal way."

Linda dedicates her life to her family, her community and her faith. She embodies the spirit of Rosati-Kain in everything that she does, whether it is at her parish, her alma mater or the community at large. Her history of giving back is long. Linda is an active member of St. Richard Parish, where she volunteers for just about everything and anything that is asked



(above left to right) Alexandra Narez '09 and Joceyln Moylen '09

(left) Linda Shead '64 and her family





of her. Linda's pastor, Fr. John Seper, explains, "Linda lives her love for Jesus in a real and personal way."

When Linda accepted the award at this year's Alumnae Brunch, she shared her story of success at Rosati-Kain. "Rosati-Kain High School was a lifeline, a lifeline into my future. Coming here as a freshman from a black, Catholic elementary school presented challenges for me and some trepidation. However, the opportunities afforded me outweighed any obstacles that I thought I might face. My grade school principal, Sr. Aurelia, found a sponsor for me and God blessed me with paid tuition for the four years. I was presented with that good news two months after my mom passed away. While at Rosati, I made new friends, studied new subjects, gained new insights about myself, and grew spiritually and emotionally as well."

Linda credits her alma mater. "Rosati-Kain is the reason I succeeded and I see that happening for my granddaughters who are currently

Representing the Class of 1966

students here; so I want this to be a legacy, a family tradition. I am happy to say I am a Rosati girl, a Rosati grad, a Rosati alumna."

In addition to celebrating Linda's efforts at R-K, the decade classes were also honored. Alumnae from the classes of 1946, 1956, 1966, 1986, 1996 and 2006 were highlighted. This yearly event has grown in size and this year the brunch was sold-out for the first time. The Alumnae Mass and Brunch is held on the last Sunday of April each year.







(above) Representing the Class of 1964

(left) left to right: Jennifer Shephard Guidici '87 and Maria Thorpes '81



## Margaret Brady Imo '60 LEADING WITH YOUR HEART

### "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." -LUKE 12:34

Growing up Catholic in the Dogtown neighborhood, Margie Brady and her younger brother and sister learned early that hard work pays off. Margie's dad, Charles, was a teamster working at Sealtest Dairy and her mom, Margaret, worked both in and out of the home. Margie graduated from St. James Catholic Grade School and headed to high school. She tells us, "My father always had a great deal of respect for Rosati-Kain and I am thankful he and my mother insisted that I go there."



Margaret Brady Class of 1960

Margie liked the structure at Rosati-Kain and loved chorus, especially the Glee Club. She also liked the fact that the students were taught morality. She remembers fondly what her typing teacher emphasized to the class. "Sr. Eugenia said when you go to work, you have to be honest and give a full day's work and never, ever take anything." That was a lesson that Margie took to her first job at the old St. John's Hospital on Lindell. She and her friends walked there after school where they worked in the Food Service Department. It was there she started to consider a career as a dietician. "I always admired the dieticians and was always interested in food and cooking." But there was another calling that Margie soon pursued.

Margie's hard work and interest in cooking came into play after meeting Ed Imo on a blind date toward the end of high school. "He was handsome and I knew very quickly he was the one! Ed was ambitious and always willing to work hard. I really liked that about him from the very beginning," Margie recalls, adding, "He kept saying he wanted to be somebody and I just knew he would." In 1961, Ed and Margie were married, just six months after Margie graduated from R-K. They had a simple goal—to have a good life and a big family. Ed worked as a tile setter's helper and Margie stayed at home with their ever-growing family in a small rented house on Wilson Avenue. Ed made a nice living, but they both dreamed of something more.

At their kitchen table, they would talk about owning a business. As devout Catholics, they would wait until Friday nights at midnight to order a pizza from one of the restaurants on the Hill. That's when a thought came to them, "Wouldn't it be nice if someone delivered pizza, because no one did that then." The idea to open a carryout and delivery pizza place was soon born.

Margie laughs when she remembers this. "We thought owning a pizza place would be easier than being a tile setter...it wasn't." With no formal advanced education, Ed and Margie had three things that would soon prove to be key to their future success —youth, faith and hard work. "We were young and didn't know any better, but we never had any doubts. We just knew this was going to work. Ed's talent," Margie smiles, "was that he had such a strong belief that we could do this well—bringing good pizza to a lot of people." With that quiet confidence and hard work, Ed and Margie were able to save enough money over the course of a few years and soon their dream became a reality. They rented a small place on Thurman and Shaw Avenues, bought used equipment, and opened their first store in the spring of 1964.

Ed continued to be a tile setter, but also worked nights at the restaurant. On busy nights, Margie joined Ed and they enlisted the help of their mothers and relatives to watch their children. Margie and Ed started off small and learned how to do things as they came up. "We made mistakes and learned from each one. It would have been so much easier had we known what we were doing, but we had the knowledge and the drive to keep going and we came out of the mistakes."

By their standards, they did well. They had a few dollars left over at the end of the week and that was success to them. It didn't take long for people in the neighborhood to fall in love with the idea that they could have pizza delivered right to their homes. From there, the love of Imo's Pizza soon spread throughout the city. In less than a year, Ed and Margie opened a second store, and then another, and then another. It wasn't always easy, but Margie and Ed never gave up. "There were lots of struggles through the years, fires...and so many more." She tries to tell her children, "When something bad happens, you have to keep plugging along."

What they had was everything they wanted. They never looked back and even today continue to grow. Soon Imo's Pizza will have 100 locations



The Imo Family

opened around the country. Recently they renovated two vacant buildings on Delmar Boulevard at 17th Street, where the company moved its corporate headquarters and a distribution center. The \$5.2 million site is a tourist destination, where visitors are able to shop for Imo's branded merchandise and pick up a frozen, St. Louis-style pizza as a souvenir. Plans to open an Imo's restaurant and event space on the site are also in the works.

What's the biggest surprise Margie encountered during construction of the new headquarters? "The city was so supportive of our family business from the start. We were overwhelmed with the backing from our loyal customers." The Imo family continues to give back to the St. Louis community through many charitable endeavors, including the St. Louis Zoo, Forest Park Forever, the Missouri Botanical Garden, Variety Club-the Children's Charity and many more. "Giving back benefits all of St. Louis," the businesswoman says, "and especially our customers who have been so good to us."

Margie's whole life has revolved around her family and the business. It is clear that family is everything to her. "I always wanted my kids to be workers, since being a worker served me well. They all are. I am so proud of them for that and I think they are our greatest achievements," the mom of six says. "You can have a successful business, but having a nice family is the best."

The love, determination and hard work that Margie has displayed throughout her life is a great example of what a Rosati girl can do. It is more than test scores and diplomas. Just like Margie, a Rosati girl can achieve anything she sets her mind to as long as she leads with her heart, works hard and never gives up!

## Graduation: THE CLASS OF 2016

## Graduation Reflection

#### Lizzie McCarthy '16

When people told me to enjoy high school because it speeds by, I smiled and nodded my head, all the while counting down the days until graduation. Now that graduation has come, I wish I had listened to them.

My four years at Rosati flew by, but my time at Rosati will forever be etched in my mind and my heart. I am honored to have been taught by passionate teachers who wanted me to succeed. They taught me more than just quadratic equations or poetry analysis, but encouraged me to ask questions and challenge myself. I am thankful for the lifelong friends I found at Rosati. With these girls, I have shared laughter, tears and smiles.

Rosati may not be the biggest school or have copious amounts of land, but none of that matters because Rosati is so much more than numbers and acres. At Rosati you become part of a sisterhood. Being part of something



Rosati girls (left to right) Front Row: Lizzie McCarthy, Emily Leonard Back Row: Megan Martin, Kristen Heuing, Maggie Hagen

bigger than myself helped me to grow more as a person. Some people will never understand how well purple and gold go together or why the correct spelling of kougar does in fact start with k; those people are missing out on something amazing. Graduating from Rosati is bittersweet, but rather than be sad, I focus on knowing that it is not an ending. I will not leave and erase the past four years. Graduation is a beginning; it is the solid platform from which I will start the rest of my life. Graduation means I officially join the network of thousands of alumnae who have travelled these hallways. With them standing behind me and rooting for me to thrive, I know I will succeed in any and all of my future endeavors.

At Rosati you become part of a sisterhood. Being part of something bigger than myself helped me to grow more as a person.

## A Daughter's Journey

**Brian and Sarah McCarthy** 

We should start by saying we are fans of Rosati-Kain High School. Our oldest daughter started at R-K in 2009 and we will have had at least one daughter enrolled continuously until 2018. Lizzie graduated this May. By the time the last high school graduation is celebrated, our family will have spent nearly a decade within these halls on Lindell Boulevard, and in the many other places that R-K exists.

Like all of our girls, Lizzie was not content to experience high school as a small segment of days over four brief years—with summers off. Rosati-Kain was not content to allow her to do that either. She took advantage of what was offered during the four short years at R-K, and she is a better, wiser person for it. In athletics, in service, in clubs, in student government, in spirit and in studies, our daughter walked with R-K both here in the Central West End, at other schools and venues in surrounding counties, and around the state. And when that part of her journey with R-K ends, she will be really ready to take on the journeys that lie ahead for her.

Over the years we have heard it said in polite company that our daughters could have gone anywhere for high *R-K prepared Lizzie* and her sisters to go anywhere for college and beyond.

school. No doubt true. Just as true is the fact that R-K prepared Lizzie and her sisters to go anywhere for college and beyond. Lizzie begins Xavier University this fall and she will be ready for the transition to a whole new environment, ready for new courses with new professors. And she will thrive.

While our girls, and thousands before them, let go of R-K and moved on with their life journeys, they held with them the insights of their teachers, the smiles and tears of their friends, and the mastery and knowledge of lessons taught and experiences shared. They said yes to Rosati-Kain and that has made a difference.



Sarah, Lizzie, and Brian McCarthy

## Special Recognition *for Seniors*

A number of seniors have distinguished themselves through their academic achievements and co-curricular involvement. The following R-K students received special recognition:

Valedictorian: Bridget Lee Taylor

Salutatorian: Ariel Lora Hall

Rosati-Kain Service Award: Kylie Ann Beeman

Rosati-Kain Scientia Award: Ariel Lora Hall, Maria Cecilia Reddy, Bridget Lee Taylor

Rosati-Kain Charism Award: Meaghan Elizabeth O'Connell

Chris Harris Award: Emily Marie Cataldo

Archbishop May Service Award: Amber Renee Reyes

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Model of Justice Award: Abigail Renee Kenyon

St. Louis Post-Dispatch Scholar Athlete Award: Katherine Rosemary Reddy

In addition, clear and tangible evidence of their excellence is collectively this class has been offered 281 scholarships, equaling \$10,778,423.00 in scholarships, grants and awards. Furthermore, over 20% of the graduating class scored 30 or higher on the ACT.

Congratulations and thank you for the gifts each of you have brought to *R*-*K* in your own special way.

## Graduation: A Faculty Perspective

#### Sarah Morris

For anyone who has been fortunate enough to have contact with the young women of the class of 2016, there can be no denying that they are truly a special group. These students love their school. They show it in so many ways. The last day of classes here for the seniors was filled with as many tears, over the sorrow of leaving Rosati-Kain and each other behind, as there were cheers, for the sense of accomplishment and friendship that will follow them in future years. I will miss them. I will miss how they hung out in my classroom during their unscheduled time. I will miss how they brightened my day with their sense of humor and good-natured joking (often at each other's expense). I will miss the talents that they shared with me and the entire community in the classroom, on the Rosati-Kain stage, in the new broadcast studio, on fields, tracks and courts, at prayer, in costume sewing rooms, and so many other places. As a teacher, I am also humbled by the amount of gratitude and reinforcement that I have received from this class. I have been shown in so many ways by these students that what I do—what WE do—here at Rosati-Kain has mattered to them. It has stuck. They have learned from us and it honestly has meant the world to them. Teaching can be a trying profession at times, but then along comes a class of students that feeds your soul as you hope you have fed theirs in the four years they have spent here. I hope they will be happy. I hope they will be successful. I hope they will be a reflection of God's love in the world. I love you, Class of 2016! You better come back and visit.

 $R\hbox{-}K faculty\ member\ Sarah\ Morris\ hugs\ new\ R\hbox{-}K\ Alumna\ Ariel\ Hall$ 



## Congratulations to the *Graduating Class of 2016*

Kathryn Melissa Antrainer Kylie Ann Beeman Gabrielle Claire Biberdorf Rachel Katherine Bundstein Josephine Grace Calcaterra **Emily Marie Cataldo** Alena Christine Chulick Amy Hue Coleman Abigail Rose Daiber Nora Catherine Dooley Elisabeth Hoyt Emerson Olivia Grace Fahrmann Pauline Vandenberghe Foshage Jennifer Garcia Margaret Terese Hagen Carla Ana Haines Ariel Lora Hall Reiko Alexandria Hall Natalia Nicole Halon Jaye Lindsey Varnado Hamilton Kristen Marie Heuing Ellen Maureen Hoerner

Caroline Lenore Holschen Elizabeth Irene Horner Bria Marie Howard Maria Christine Huhman Logan Kristian Jackson Alexandra Camille Jones Elaina Allison Kandlbinder Abigail Renee Kenyon Kaitlin Gabrielle Kiser Claire Marie Kruep **Emily Ann Leonard** Mary Grace Malon Megan Elizabeth Martin **Taylor Alexis Martin** Catherine Mary Pentycross Marx Mary Claire McCabe Elizabeth Clare McCarthy Kaitlyn Ann McFarland Caitlin Mackenzie McNiff Nina Andrea Migneco Rebecca Kaye Mulvaney Valerie Renee Murphy Sarah Kristin Nolte



Anna Maria Nortrup Meaghan Elizabeth O'Connell Theresa Rose Pancella Lauryn Michele Patrick Emma Christine Potts Maria Leeann Pratt Marissa Juliann Pratt Mary Agnes Rackers Rose Teresa Rechtien Emma Josephine Reddy Katherine Rosemary Reddy Marie Cecilia Reddy Amber Renee Reyes Kelsey Amanda Rohman Alexis Kathryn Schoonover Kelly Anne Sextro Grace Christine Shortall Elayna Noelle Smith Rebecca Louise Sommer Jaclynn Rebecca Street Bridget Lee Taylor Riley Erin Voss Olivia Marie Wall Madison Riley Watkins Jillian Joyce Marie Wiley Xena Felicia Wiley Miranda Catherine Wilmsmeyer Anastasia Nicole Zink-Duda

## The Graduates Will Be Attending the Following Universities

Arizona State University Bellarmine University Benedictine College College of Charleston Creighton University Fontbonne University Jackson State University Kansas City Art Institute Kettering University Lindenwood University Louisiana State University Loyola University New Orleans MacMurray College Maryville University Mississippi State University Missouri Baptist University Missouri State University Missouri University of Science and Technology Murray State University Oral Roberts University Rhodes College Rockhurst University Saint Louis University Southeast Missouri State University

St. Charles Community College

St. Louis Community College–Meramec The University of Tampa Truman State University University of Dayton University of Denver University of Kansas University of Missouri University of Missouri– Kansas City University of Missouri– St. Louis University of Notre Dame University of San Francisco University of Tulsa Washington University in St. Louis Webster University Xavier University

# WHO'S DOING **WHA**

Do you have some news you'd like to share with the **R-K community?** Please send a short announcement along with a digital photo (from your phone is fine!) of 600 pixels or greater to rkdevelopment@rosati-kain.org.

### ALUMNAE

Mary Kay Boehm Castello '72 received the 2015 Make a Difference award from the Ritenour School District. Mary Kay has been a special education teacher for almost 40 years, the last 24 with Ritenour Early Childhood. She celebrated the evening with her husband of 39 years, Jim, and her mother, Pat Boehm. Mary Kay

also became a grandmother for the fourth time in early December. She is now the very proud "Grammi" to Ryan (7), Brooke (5), Dominic (5)and Ethan (6 months).



Areva Martin '80 was featured on the cover of February issue of the Millennium Magazine. Areva is an attorney, human/civil rights activist and one of the most in-demand television commentators in the country.

Joan Swartz '80 received the Most Influential Lawyer Award from the Missouri Lawyers Weekly. Joan established her own law firm 15 years ago and is a founding member of Motion for Kids, a program that throws a day-long holiday party for kids who have parents who are



impacted by the criminal justice system.



**Dionne Peeples Jones '86** 

and her husband Simon were featured on News 4 "Imagine a Better St. Louis" on making a difference in our community. Simon and Dionne are owners of Peace of Mind Cleaning which helps to empower and equip

residents in low-income communities. Serving the Lord together is their passion.

What does Rosati-Kain mean to you? We'd love to share your thoughts with the R-K community. Send your response (50 words or less please) via email to rkdevelopment@rosati-kain.org. If you want to include your photo, please send a digital photo (from your phone is fine) of 600 pixels or greater.

Lucy Gintz '00 and Kelly Goehring '09 both dressed in their R-K finest (without planning it) for the Mission Carnival at St. Gabriel the Archangel Grade School. Way to show your Kougar Pride! Lucy is currently the



Assistant Principal and CRE and Kelly is a 6th grade teacher at St. Gabriel the Archangel Grade School.

Michelle McAtee '08 and Peter Faron were married August 15, 2015, at St. Raphael the Archangel Catholic Church. Peter is the son of Rosati-Kain librarian Susan Faron. All of Michelle's bridesmaids were Rosati-Kain graduates: Stephanie McAtee '10, Addie Schnurbusch '08, Ana Winker '08 and Abby

**Faron '11**. In addition, the R-K Voices sang at the nuptials. Michelle graduated from Truman State University in



2012 and University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law in 2015 and is a licensed attorney in both Missouri and Illinois. Peter works as a staff accountant for Bunzl, Inc. in Creve Coeur. The couple resides in Maryland Heights.

#### Kristin Slesinski Bettger '10 and Emily Henderson '10

graduated with their doctorates in pharmacy on May 7, 2016 from St. Louis College of Pharmacy (both with honors). Kristin will be beginning her pharmacy



residency at St. Louis Children's hospital and Emily will be working as a community pharmacist for Schnuck's Pharmacy.



Laura Cline '12 graduated from the University of Mississippi with a bachelor's degree in Chemistry with an emphasis on Biochemistry. She will begin medical school in the fall at the University of Florida.

#### **STUDENTS**

Kathleen McPartland '18 was selected into the 2016 Missouri Scholar Academy. The Missouri Scholars Academy is a threeweek academic program for 330 of Missouri's gifted students who are ready to begin their junior year in high school. The



academy is a residential program held on the campus of the University of Missouri.

### TEACHERS

**Barb Vilimek Hacker**, R-K English teacher, received a Distinguished Service Award from SLU for her 20 years of service to the 1818 Advanced College Credit Program. Over the course of the 20 years, Barb has taught an Advanced College Credit writing and rhetoric course for the first semester, as well as an Advanced College Credit Intro to Literature course during the second semester. It was a family celebration as Barb's husband, Kevin Hacker, also received the award for his 25 years in the program



teaching Advanced College Credit Western Civilization. Kevin is also the principal at St. Mary's Catholic High School in St. Louis. Congratulations, Barb and Kevin!



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## UPCOMINGEVENTS! MARK YOUR CALENDAR TODAY! BE SURE TO CHECK FACEBOOK AND THE R-K WEBSITE FOR CHANGES AND UPDATES.

#### OPEN HOUSE Sunday, November 6, 2016

Invite friends and neighbors with incoming grade 6-8 girls to see for themselves all the wonderful opportunities that Rosati-Kain has to offer!

#### FALL MUSICAL: CHILDREN OF EDEN November 10, 11 and 12, 2016 7 p.m.

Music and Lyrics by Stephen Schwartz. Book by John Caird. Based on a concept by Charles Lisanby.



#### UNIQUE BOUTIQUE November 17, 2016

A girls' night out to support R-K's Annual Fund.



#### CHRISTMAS CONCERT: "A HOLLYWOOD CHRISTMAS" December 2 and 3, 2016

Enjoy a musical evening with songs from your favorite Christmas movies.

#### BREAKFAST WITH SANTA December 6, 2016

Join Santa for crafts, breakfast, photos and more! This event is free for our Rosati-Kain community, but space is limited.