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Please keep these and all those who have passed away in your thoughts and prayers. Memorial gifts may be made to Rosati-Kain by mailing your check along with the name of your family, friend or loved one to: Jackie Jones, Rosati-Kain High School, 4389 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63108

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The Bravest Child

I want my child to be
the bravest child.

Not only the one who goes first,
for example,
Down the darkest, scariest path
at camp, to
Part and pass under the bangs
of willows, the shadowy oaks,
Past the bogeyman.

But be also the one who is kind.
Once you calm your raging heart
and enter the unknown
Be the one who will pivot back
towards the next in line
Smile, and tell your friends.

"You can do it."

written August 2014

by Carey J. Kozuszek

Nov. 5, 1971–Dec. 23, 2014

*“If the Lord does not build the house,
then in vain do the builders labor.”*

—PSALM 127

Dear R-K Alumnae, Families and Friends,

Building Rosati-Kain has been a very literal experience this year and it is not in vain. Students, staff and all our community have enjoyed watching the progress. This building and renovation project is only important because of what will be accomplished here.

Our school began in 1911 without a permanent home but with great faith and a very clear mission: to provide girls from throughout the archdiocese with an excellent education that would prepare them in every way for whatever challenge or opportunity life may present. This mission continues to grow and develop just as the actual building.

Humilitas—recognizing that everything we are is a gift from God, and embracing God’s call in our lives is one of the core values from the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet which is noted on our crest. This knowledge and confidence are essential to the Rosati-Kain tradition. Our student body embraces the richness of diversity in the community that gathers each day. Geography, aspirations, talents, faith and individuality come together in such a way that no two persons are the same. Each student studies science, the arts, humanities and theology. Bringing all these disciplines and experiences together to build a unique and productive future is an opportunity and a responsibility. We celebrate that the students and faculty of Rosati-Kain are dedicated, compassionate, strong and committed.

Rosati-Kain alumnae provide phenomenal models of success. You never know when a student is watching and what she is learning from who you are: career day speakers, special guests and random meetings with alumnae through service, family and community involvement.

Each R-K girl, from the very first in 1911 to the class of 2019 who have just registered, benefits from the groundwork laid by others and has the responsibility to pave the way for those who will follow. We must make sure that the opportunities that were so generously provided for us by others continue to be available to the women of tomorrow. In doing so, we continue our work of preparing young women to lead and serve the world.

Thank you for your prayers, your moral support and your material support of our marvelous school. I look forward to celebrating our mission and our home when we begin our new school year in August of 2015. Until we meet, may you be blessed with peace and compassion and a great *Humilitas*.

In Notre Dame,



Sister Joan Andert, SSND
President



“For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”

—JEREMIAH 29:11



Dear R-K Friends,

Students (especially seniors) come to me to talk about their futures. They are not sure where they should go to college or what they should study. Many will say to me they want to live out God's will, but they are not certain just what God's will is. It's a privileged moment for me to journey with our students as they discern. Often, I will reference the above verse from Jeremiah. Though we may not understand God's plan for us, God indeed has a plan and that plan will lead to prosperity and hope.

Recently, we welcomed the class of 2019 with acceptance letters and registered them for their freshman classes. This class of 2019 will further R-K's legacy of forming women to "lead and serve the world." They have made the first steps in their plans for the future—listening to their hearts and choosing Rosati-Kain. Each new class breathes life into our very vibrant school. There is a vitality you can see in each R-K girl—no matter her age—as illustrated in the following pages.

In February, we had 18 alumnae return to Rosati-Kain to speak to our students on Career Day. As I dropped in on the various presentations, I repeatedly heard these successful women attribute their accomplishments to their experiences at Rosati-Kain. They wanted to give back. The students' responses fell into two camps. Some students announced that they now know for sure the career path they will pursue. Others realized that the career they thought they wanted to pursue is not for them.

I am confident that our students will continue in the footsteps of those before them. Rosati-Kain students are confident and determined, yet humble. They discern God's will, work to fulfill it and thus contribute to the betterment of humanity. They see the injustices in the world around them and are passionate about using their strengths "to right the wrongs" and to serve those most in need. It is a joy to know them.

Oremus pro invicem,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Dr. Elizabeth Ann Goodwin". The script is cursive and elegant.

Dr. Elizabeth Ann Goodwin
Principal

A Dream Becomes a Reality... **ONE BRICK AT A TIME**

Even before the straight and angled lines of the architectural drawings were marked on the oversized paper, there was an idea, a dream really, to expand and enhance the 94-year-old historical building at 4389 Lindell.

"What is most exciting about this project is the benefit it will provide to our students and our teachers. More space for collaboration and on-going projects in an attractive and comfortable environment will undoubtedly enhance learning and achievement. This is the realization of many years of planning," explained Sister Joan Andert, President.

Between the groundbreaking and now, about the halfway point, countless hours have been dedicated to our new addition at Rosati-Kain. More work hours are yet to be logged.

The efforts of hundreds of R-K advocates and donors are coming to fruition. Completed stone and brick work can be seen and the windows are in place. The elevator is installed. The interior walls and ceilings are being completed. Plumbing and electricity are checked off the "to do" list. It's starting to look like a REAL building, not just a construction site.

There are also plans for the renovation of the existing building; those are being finalized. And the expression, "The devil's in the details" is coming true! Decisions are being made with regard to the Barry O'Keeffe Media Center, the digital lab, the guidance suite and administrative areas. It's all very exciting and very real. All new construction and remodeling are scheduled to be completed by the start of school in August 2015.

These changes are all designed to give our students more and better resources as they become ready for college and the world.

To see more of the inside of the new building go to:
tinyurl.com/k5wyxj9.



Pictured here are: (top) the new Learning Commons, (above) one of two new science rooms and (below) the new facade facing Newstead Avenue.



With a Little Help from **OUR FRIENDS** *in the Guidance Department*

The purpose of the guidance office is to help students through the maze of applying to and being accepted to college, right? *Think again.*



Jamie Burke meets with students throughout their four years at R-K.

"Helping prepare the girls for college applications is just one piece of what we do," explains Jamie Messer Burke, '97.

Think of the guidance office as offering three pillars of service: social/emotional support, academic support AND navigating the college admissions process. The guidance office at Rosati-Kain is staffed with two counselors, Judi Timmons and Jamie Burke. The counselors are supported by Sallie Ginger. They are there just as much for the girls as they are for the parents or guardians.

As part of the social/emotional pillar of support, the counselors help students navigate deep waters sometimes. "We don't realize all the life struggles that some people have. This isn't just 'girl drama' but real life issues," said Jamie. The counselors help by being there, listening, offering advice and providing resources. "We hope to give them tools to deal with life struggles before they become a crisis." Often, guest speakers are brought in to talk to the entire student body about current topics. The goal of guidance counselors is to arm the girls with the tools so that students don't feel like anything is a hopeless situation.

On the academic side, from freshman year, the girls are assisted with developing skills which include: time management, organization, and choosing and managing eight different classes. "Some grade schools have fostered these learned skills better than others," Jamie explained. It's somewhat helpful to remember that we don't come into this world as organized individuals.

For example, Jamie recently had a student who loved art and wanted to pursue that. In that student's mind, she needed to get all her required classes completed and leave the art classes for her senior year. Jamie advised the student, "Education is not just about homework and tests. It's about feeding your mind and your soul. Take science AND art."

This is part of what makes Rosati-Kain beautiful, according to Jamie. The girls are supported and really encouraged to explore different things without being pigeon-holed. The more exposure they have, especially to the world around them, leads them to finding joy in life. They carry this into their academic world, the third pillar of the guidance office.

"The help I've received from the guidance office has been exceptional and irreplaceable," admits Abby Kenyon, '15. Last year, Mrs. Burke helped by nominating Abby for the Missouri Scholars Academy.

"My application would not have been complete without her hard work. She was part of the process from my nomination to acceptance. This year, as I've started my college search, she has always been able and willing to answer my questions. To me, the

Dreams to Reality *and Beyond*

“Dream lofty dreams, and as you dream, so you shall become. Your vision is the promise of what you shall one day be; your ideal is the prophecy of what you shall at last unveil.”

—James Allen



Senior year '97



Jamie today

Young people all have aspirations. And as a young woman, Jamie Messer Burke, '97 had her fair share.

She aspired to attend Rosati-Kain because of a fourth-grade math teacher's daughter. But she thought several things might keep her

from getting in. She wasn't Catholic and the teacher's daughter was perceived by this young Jamie as “so smart.”

“I didn't think I could get in, even though I applied. When I got my letter, I was SO EXCITED! I immediately bought everything in purple and gold,” she explained.

The math teacher's daughter, Lisa Granich-Kovarick, '94 ended up being Jamie's big sister. Jamie thrived at R-K; she was involved in many extra-curriculars, most notably, track because, “I could get on the team and get a letter! But it really was a great place for me.”

Jamie credits R-K in helping her dream of education as a career take shape. She cites the great teachers she had (many of them still at R-K) like: Nancy Mueller and Sister Judith, especially. Even as a student, Jamie said, “I could just tell the teachers cared so much about me and the other girls. They cared about me and they let me know that they did.”

“Rosati-Kain solidified in me the idea of being in education because they were always so encouraging. I knew I could do this. It was just a matter of what I was going to teach. I'd go to English class and think that was it. Then art class. I loved it but wasn't very good at it. Spanish was actually my least favorite class. I remember my senior year, thinking after the last class, ‘I don't have to take Spanish ANYMORE!’”

Fast forward a few years and two degrees: Jamie got her Bachelor of Science in Education and Spanish. She went on to get her Master's of Arts in School Counseling. Jamie taught Spanish for 13 years in other area Catholic schools. But she really felt called to counseling.

When the guidance position at R-K opened, Jamie didn't think that she'd be accepted for an interview because she didn't have enough experience yet. “When they called to offer me the job, I didn't believe them,” she explained.

As a student and now as an education professional, Jamie explains, “R-K made me believe in Catholic education. The environment was and is so important to me. As a student, I was welcomed as a non-Catholic. It's about being Christian and it's about our mission. R-K does a great service to the world by preparing these young women. They are accepted for who they are, they get to explore who they are and they are not judged.

I tell students all the time, you never know where life will lead you—and I use my life and educational journey as an example. I tell them to be open. I hope everyone gets to experience a dream job—like I am experiencing at Rosati—sometime in their life,” said Jamie.

guidance office is a big part of what makes R-K special,” explains Abby.

Most will agree that parents by nature want the best for their children. The guidance office assists both parents and R-K students in finding the right path. Through interest testing, the student's strengths and interests rise to the top. A new evaluation, *Career*

Profiler, gives both the parent or guardian and student another view of a career journey. With the help of the guidance department, they move through the process of discovery and discernment of interests, to the creation of an action plan for higher education. This plan also helps parents and guardians balance practicality and the student's passion. Bottom

line: Finding each girls' path, while challenging, leads to finding joy. It's just another work day in the guidance office.

Amazing Race Winner, **MAYA WARREN,** '03 and Her Excellent Adventure

What started as a *whim*, ended with a **win**. A win of \$1,000,000 was awarded to R-K Alumna, Maya Warren, '03 and her teammate on the 25th season of CBS's *The Amazing Race*.



Maya and Sister Judy get reconnected.

Maya recently took St. Louis by storm and visited R-K on the first day back for second semester. She was warmly welcomed by the students, faculty and staff. Everyone agreed that she hadn't changed a bit since her student days. Faculty members who had her as a student used words like, "corker" and "firecracker." She spoke to the student body and told her side story of entering, competing and winning the race.

"I've always been a fan of the show," Maya explained. "But in my mind, I was going to compete with my husband. And since 'the husband' isn't exactly part of my picture right now, well...that wasn't going to happen," she explained to the students.

On a whim, she mentioned to her lab mate, Amy DeJong, that she wanted to at least try out to compete in the race. With a little convincing, Amy was in. They traveled from University of Wisconsin-Madison where they are both doctoral candidates to Chicago for the tryouts. In a pre-rehearsed skit where they "played" nerdy scientists; they had one minute to convince the judges.

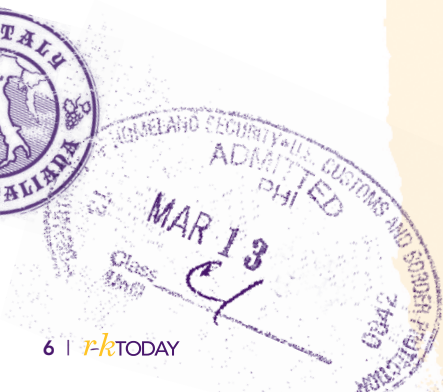
"I knew we would be chosen," Maya explained confidently. "I knew because there was no one like us. Two female scientists? One African American, one Caucasian? Come on, that's a no brainer," she explained.

After a lot of due diligence, including personality and intelligence testing, Maya got the call that she and Amy were official contestants. She had to keep it secret, and she had to find a viable "reason" to miss school. No easy task there.

The race kicked off in New York's Times' Square. The next three weeks involved a lot of globetrotting: St. Thomas-US Virgin Islands, London and Oxford, England, Shetland Islands, Denmark and Sweden, Morocco, Italy, Philippines (twice), Malta and Los Angeles. The hardest part of the race wasn't the actual tasks according to Maya, it was not being able to speak to or communicate in any way with her family. No phone calls. No emails. No texting. Nothing.

During the race, the "Sweet Scientists" as they were dubbed, were often portrayed as the underdogs. And Maya admits they often were. But she explained, "Once I figured out that this was not a completely physical race, but a race of intelligence and determination, I knew we were going to win. We simply outsmarted them. We ran a race not bent on demeaning the other teams, but being true to ourselves."

This message of being true to one's self is what she brought to her fellow Rosati-Kain sisters.





Amazing Race host, Phil Keoghan declares the "Sweet Scientists" winners in L.A.

To say that the student body was enthusiastic about her visit and her message would be an understatement. Olivia Fahrman was one of the many students who, after the Q&A, hung back for a photo with Maya.

"Maya is the type of woman we all aspire to be. She learned what we are learning now, that Rosati-Kain does such a good job of doing—teaching us to be ourselves and to be leaders," explained Olivia.

Maya described her high school years this way, "When I was a student at Rosati, I didn't really have a road map. I loved Chemistry. That love led me to think I might want to be in medicine. But I love food too. So I combined my love

of science with my love of food, especially ice cream, in my Ph.D. program in food science. At first my parents thought I had lost my mind, but now they get it. My message to the R-K girls is: be open to opportunities and to always be true to yourself. Life is sweet. Live it. Enjoy it. Life is not a sprint, but a marathon."

It's good to know that nice girls can indeed finish first.



(top) Maya is good-to-go in a go-kart race in Palermo, Sicily.

(left) "I'm still just Maya," was what the contest winner admitted. Students lined up to get pictures taken with her.



Racing Around Town

Not a minute was wasted during her visit to St. Louis. She also visited St. Michael the Archangel and spoke to the second through fifth graders. Parents as Teachers was another organization which enjoyed the benefits of her motivational speaking.

In addition to seeing her R-K family, Maya was interviewed by the *St. Louis Review*, the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* and made an appearance on "Great Day St. Louis" where she was interviewed by Kent Ehrhardt; she gave a shout out to R-K. Clearly the experience on *The Amazing Race* has made Maya comfortable around all the lights and cameras involved in television production.

"I loved watching how that show is put together from the inside out," Maya explained.

As part of her plan and being "open to opportunities" mindset, Maya would like to continue with television in some capacity. She's interested in many entrepreneurial endeavors. She wants to combine her love for the science of ice cream and other frozen desserts with her new-found joy in television. She hopes to create a show where she would explore frozen desserts around the world. Another option she sees in her future is consulting in the field of frozen desserts as well as opening up her own ice cream shops. Along the way, she looks forward to doing motivational speaking to inspire young individuals to think outside the box—to do something they have always wanted to do. "I want to live my life to the fullest and hopefully inspire people to do the same along the way," she said.

Kathleen McCann Palumbo, '65

TAKING CARE OF OTHERS

Rooted in Virtus

It has been said that the best thing you can give your children are "roots and wings." Roots, to provide a strong foundation of family and community; wings to fly and find a place in the world.



Kathleen's senior picture

Kathleen McCann Palumbo's parents must have followed that sage advice. Her early roots go back to St. Patrick's in University City. It was there that she received sacraments of Baptism, Confession, First Communion, Confirmation and Marriage. The Irish pastor there, recommended she attend Rosati-Kain.

"I was the only girl from my parish at the time to attend Rosati-Kain. Once enrolled, I learned that there are other smarter girls. I realized, 'I have to work hard,'" Kathleen said.

"I always approached going to Rosati-Kain as a privilege. Her sisters, Charlene McCann Baer, '66; Patricia McCann Gates, '70; and Peggy McCann Beaupre, '75 followed in their sister's footsteps, making R-K a family affair. "Once I was there, I felt I had to do my best."

Looking back at her R-K experience, she said, "Leadership was what was expected of us. Rosati girls had to rise to the occasion."

"I think we benefitted greatly from the Catholic school tradition of uniforms and going to an all-girl school," she continued. "We focused on school during the week and had the weekend to socialize, but I have to admit, during the three buses that it took to get to school, there was a bit of skirt rolling that went on," she said with a giggle in her voice.

While her high school choice was due in a large part to the parish priest, the choice of a career, and where she went to college was influenced by Rosati-Kain. The R-K guidance counselor, Sister Alvera, a Notre Dame nun, recommended

St. Louis University and a four-year degree. "So that's what I did," Kathleen explained.

She met her future husband, Peter J. Palumbo there.

"I chose nursing because of my love of helping people, which was really fueled at Rosati," said Kathleen.

As she and Peter started their family, they were instrumental in raising funds for the then new parish, Christ Prince of Peace in Ballwin.

"The pastor there just didn't think that having a school along with the church was even remotely possible," Kathleen explained. "But Peter and I told him, 'Father, we can do this.'"

The goal was achieved. The church and the school were built. Kathleen was the first school nurse at CPOP while her children were young.

Taking care of people clearly has been a thread running through her personal and professional life. Now on her second career, she's spent the last 25 years



Kathleen takes a dip in the Jordan River in the Holy Land.

Being a Part of the R-K Community: A BLESSING

BY GABBY HURLEY, '15

In the fall, Gabrielle "Gabby" Hurley, '15, wrote an article for the *St. Louis Metro Catholic Parent Magazine* about her overall Catholic school experience. It made us want to know how she came to choose Rosati-Kain. Here's her story:



I first became interested in Rosati-Kain after my sister, Madeline Hurley, '13, attended school here. She would come home every day raving about her teachers and classmates. When I shadowed at R-K, I understood what she was talking about. Everyone was so friendly and welcoming, smiling and greeting me as I walked down the hall. Being a part of the R-K community has been a blessing. The teachers truly care for the students and push them to succeed by taking time to give extra help when necessary and always encouraging students. There are many

opportunities for students to grow and develop in their areas of interest with a wide variety of clubs, teams and organizations, from National Honor Society to Spirit Club. I am President of National Honor Society, I've been a class rep for Student Council the past three

years, I was a Kairos leader, and I am also a member of Mu Alpha Theta and Science National Honor Society. On top of that, I play volleyball, soccer and swim! I have not committed to a college yet, but I plan to major in business.

I would have to say that it has been my involvement in such a wide variety of extracurricular activities and classes that has influenced my decision making for the future. Having a leadership position in clubs prepares me to be a great business leader in the future. My math teachers, Mr. O'Connor in particular, have really helped develop my love of math. They are always willing to help me outside of class, while always being very encouraging, and make classes a lot of fun, even AP Calculus! With strong academics and a vibrant faith community, Rosati-Kain has shaped me into the young woman I am today.

Read the original article online:
tinyurl.com/qbpr2qy.



"talking to and helping people" with their finances. "It doesn't feel like work to me. I love what I do," she explained. She typically is up early, with the birds, to work out first, then head to the office by 6:30 a.m.

Kathleen and Peter are world travelers. They have seen every continent, including most recently Antarctica. Her favorite spot so far, no surprise, The Holy Land.

"Seeing the birthplace of Jesus was humbling," she explained. A visit to and a prayer at the Wailing Wall, where men and women visit separately proved fruitful. Within a year, her prayer was answered: a grandchild was on the way.

Kathleen's love of Rosati-Kain has been evident throughout her life. She described "The Decades" reunion as very "clever."

She attended her decade reunion, connecting with so many classmates. At the same time, the Capital Campaign was getting underway. One phone call to Sister Joan Andert, President, and on the other end of the line was Kathleen's voice, "How can I help? What can I do? We've got to get this done." She seized the opportunity to be closely involved with R-K by serving on the major gifts committee of the "Build the Dream...Live the Legacy" campaign. That involvement evolved into membership on the President's Council. She currently serves as chairperson.

"Rosati-Kain taught me, I can do anything I set my mind to do." That tenacity comes from far-reaching roots; she continues to use her wings by taking care of others, especially those associated with Kathleen's beloved R-K.

WHO'S DOING WHAT?

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.

STUDENTS

UMSL'S 2014-2015 BRIDGE PROGRAM

Larin Brooks, '17 and **Lauryn Mosby, '17** have successfully completed the UMSL Bridge program. Congratulations! **Constance Bennett, '15** and **Kristina Strong, '17** are currently participating. The program provides college support services to selected high school students and their parents. Saturday academy sessions include work in mathematics, science, writing skills, career and personal development, and college preparation courses.



Constance Bennett



Larin Brooks



Lauryn Mosby



Kristina Strong

CONGRESSIONAL YOUTH CABINET

Congressman Wm. Lacy Clay (D) Missouri has sworn in the 4th Class of Missouri's 1st District Congressional Youth Cabinet at Harris-Stowe State University, **Princess Ingram, '15** and **Maggie Smith, '15**. Congressman Clay's CYC has already tackled issues like bullying, race relations, violence directed against women and children, combatting homelessness, and other important community service projects.



Princess Ingram



Maggie Smith

E. DES LEE MUSIC FESTIVAL

Lydia Fulton, '18, Christine Siampos, '15, Sara Naumann, '18, Juliana Modde, '17, Grace Modde, '17, and Libby Modde, '17 participated in the E. Desmond Lee Fine Arts Education Collaborative High School Festival at the Blanche M. Touhill Performing Arts Center on the University of Missouri–St. Louis Campus. The day consisted of rehearsals, clinics, sectionals, and concluded with an evening concert conducted by Dr. James Richards, Interim Dean, College of Fine Arts and Communication for the University of Missouri–St. Louis.



*(left to right):
Lydia Fulton,
Christine Siampos,
Sara Naumann,
Juliana Modde,
Grace Modde,
Libby Modde*

R-K GIRLS LEADING BY EXAMPLE

The following alumnae participated in the recent career day for our current students:

Bridget Boehm, '07	Ann Leckie, '84
Maria Briggs, '84	Claire C. Markus, '04
Ashiya S. Buckels, '06	Michelle Marton, '84
Re-essa Buckels, '07	Adrienne Maull, '07
Julia M. Dalton, '01	Molly E. O'Hara, '03
Kimberly Folwarski, '03	Marissa C. Ramos, '05
Gina Hand, '86	Hannah K. Richard, '14
Susan Hendrickson, '88	Margaret R. Siemer, '01
Claire M. Hof, '06	Taya K. Tomasello, '99

Thank you for leading by example and showing current R-K girls how to be leaders of the world!

For a complete list of all the Career Day 2015 participants and their professions, visit: tinyurl.com/puzafiv.

ALUMNAE

Nicole J. Colbert-Botchway, '89 of St. Louis, received an appointment from the governor for a five-year term to the Administrative Hearing Commission. The commission is a neutral, independent administrative tribunal that decides disputes involving state agencies and another party, usually a private person or corporation.



Colbert-Botchway is an assistant attorney general for the Missouri Attorney General's Office and is the leader of the modification unit of the office's financial services division. Prior to that she was an assistant circuit attorney for the St. Louis Circuit Attorney's Office. Colbert-Botchway served as the 2009-2010 president of the Women Lawyers' Association of Greater St. Louis and was co-chair of the diversity committee.

S. Carol Brouillette, CSJ, and **S. Mary Gerold Mobley, SSND** have been friends since they taught at Rosati-Kain High School 30 years ago. Today, they are performing together at nursing homes and hospitals with S. Carol on the harp and S. Gerold playing recorder.



Rosemarie Zagarri, '74, University Professor in the Department of History at George Mason University is an internationally renowned expert on early American history. She spoke recently as part of Saint Louis University's John Francis Bannon, S.J. Annual Lecture on "The American Revolution as a World Revolution."

Alexandra Meyers, '10 completed her BA at Rockhurst University and is now serving a one year volunteer commitment with the San Lucas Mission in Guatemala. See what's new via her blog at: guatemalanadventures.weebly.com.



Karilyn Surratt, '00 recently appeared on the cover of *Reader's Digest* (Karilyn is pictured right of Santa on cover). She began her professional performing career at The Muny in 2001, ultimately performing in 16 different productions, including a few with her R-K Shakespeare teacher, John Contini.

Monica Brown Challenger, '81, was named Executive Director of the Cedar Rapids Science Center in Cedar Rapids, Iowa in June 2014.



Marie A. Casey, '75 will be inducted into the St. Louis Media Hall of Fame in March. She is President of Casey Communications in St. Louis.

Welcome!

Rosati-Kain is happy to announce two additions to the staff.

Patti Eischen joined the R-K staff in October as Director of Communications. She previously owned her own communications consultation business. In addition she brings newspaper, higher education, agency and corporate communications experience to work for Rosati-Kain. Patti holds a Bachelor's of Journalism from the University of Missouri—Columbia and a Master's in Arts in Media Communications—Advertising from Webster University.



Stephanie Scott, '06, joins the R-K team as Assistant to the President. She will, as the title implies, assist Sister Joan in the President's office. She will also ensure

that the flow of information from the school to our business manager at the Rigali Center is effective and efficient. She is a graduate of Butler University with a degree in marketing. Before returning to R-K she worked in the hospitality industry.

Meredith Hoog, '06 graduated from Saint Louis University with a Master's Degree in Public Health and concentrations in Epidemiology and Health Management and Policy. She recently moved to San Francisco, CA to begin work as a Research Associate with the Modeling and Simulation Department at Evidera.

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 redvelopment@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.

GIVING TO R-K

It's Easy and Important

**JUST AS THERE ARE SO MANY REASONS TO GIVE TO ROSATI-KAIN,
THERE ARE MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO DO SO:**

Annual Fund

The Annual Fund was created to assist with the on-going operating expenses of the school; salaries, learning materials, experiences, operations and tuition assistance. Each year we ask for your support. Think of it as an annual birthday gift to your beloved R-K. This is a tax-deductible gift.

Planned Giving and Charitable Gifts

This type of gifting provides for a tax deduction which may extend beyond the calendar year in which it was made and may reduce or avoid capital gains and estate gift taxes. This type of giving may be made in cash but can also include donating assets such as stocks, real estate or life insurance proceeds.

Contributing to R-K is easy too. Write a check, or give online at: tinyurl.com/lryhsz6.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Jackie Jones, Advancement Services Manager at 314-533-8513 ext. 2239 or by emailing rkdevelopment@rosati-kain.org.

GIVE STL DAY

Give STL Day is Tuesday, May 5! This is only the second year of this St. Louis regional effort for the great work that not-for-profits do for our community. Rosati-Kain is registered to participate again this year.

Last year, in a 24-hour period, \$44,293.00 was raised for R-K by Alumnae, parents, students and other donors—this amount does not include matching gifts. R-K was SECOND in the St. Louis area for the highest amount raised and the number of gifts. A very successful first-time effort! Thank you to last year's contributors. You can see the names of your family and friends who contributed by visiting: tinyurl.com/lv5naxs.

We are looking to you to make this year as successful as last year. Funds raised that day will be directed to furniture and equipment for the new Barry O'Keeffe Media Studio and the new science laboratories. Look to our website for more information as the day approaches.

Plan now to do your part to help R-K!



UPCOMING EVENTS



APRIL 26

Alumnae Mass and Brunch

Mass at 8 a.m. in the basilica
(doors open at R-K at 9:15 a.m.)
Brunch begins at 9:45 a.m.
(RSVP form below)



JUNE 1-25

Kougar Camps

For girls sixth through eighth grade
and incoming freshmen. If you have a
granddaughter, neighbor or young friend,
this is a great way to introduce them to
R-K. Learn more at: tinyurl.com/kz3bjtz.

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AUGUST

New Building Opening

Watch the R-K website for your
opportunity to see the finished building.



- Mass will be held at 8 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. R-K doors open at 9:15 a.m. and brunch begins at 9:45 a.m.
- An award ceremony, spring concert preview and recognition for classes celebrating 10, 20, 25, 50 and 60 years will follow a special presentation honoring Carolyn Hanifl Bresnahan, '62, recipient of the Charism Award.

- Alumnae Senior Konnection (ASK) sponsors are encouraged to invite their seniors.
- Reservations are \$30. RSVP by completing the form and send with payment to R-K or RSVP online at www.rosati-kain.org.

2014 ALUMNAE BRUNCH RSVP

PLEASE RSVP BY APRIL 21, 2015

Name..... Class Year.....
Address..... City..... State..... ZIP.....
Preferred Phone..... Email.....

I plan to attend Mass at the Cathedral: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Reservations are \$30 per person. Reservations by credit card are available online at www.rosati-kain.org.

Please make your check payable to Rosati-Kain High School and send it with this form to:

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