



Ontario Maryknollers

Official Newsletter of Maryknoll Convent Former Students (Ont.)

President's Message

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Since the incorporation of the MCS Alumni Ontario Chapter more than twenty years ago, we have always been fortunate to be able to generate enough income for all the activities of our members. Now, for the first time, we have to go into our reserve funds to cover the basic expenses and running costs, as mentioned by our Treasurer at our last AGM.

The major reason for this is because we no longer have the income generated from the Valentine Ball. Currently, our income is generated from the networking dinners, and membership fees. These sources of income are not enough to cover the operating costs. We are, henceforth, requesting all members for their support and I am calling on all the past presidents to join me to start "the ball rolling". This is a new initiative where monetary donations will be accepted. There are also other ways of helping your high school alumni – through participating in our functions, and asking your fellow classmates to join the alumni.

We have just drawn a sum from our reserve funds to cover our expenses, and we hope that with your help, we can minimize the future need to draw from our reserve again. We hope you can support your association.

Maryknoll We have been part of the family for over 80 years. Here is an excerpt from the newsletter of the Maryknoll Sisters explaining the origin of the name MARYKNOLL. The full details of the newsletter can be viewed at www.maryknoll.org/MKSnews.

As languages evolve, some words take on new meanings and others become rather archaic. Perhaps for some younger folks today, "knoll" is not a known synonym for "hill." When Maryknoll was founded, it was commonly used and understood. From Hawthorne, NY, the original setting of the "Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America," (which is still the official title of the Maryknoll Fathers and brothers), their co-founder, Fr. James A. Walsh, wrote the following:

"Maryknoll is....the title of a dream which we hope will, before long, be realized. Maryknoll will....be the name of the knoll on which we will locate permanently our seminary building."

When the Society obtained the present site on Sunset Hill in Ossining, N.Y., they named it Maryknoll. Soon the members of the Society were known sim-

ply as the "Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers."

Devotion to the Mother of Jesus was a cornerstone in the spiritual foundation of Maryknoll. The first woman who came to work for the foreign missions by serving the newly formed Society in many clerical and domestic tasks, were frequently referred to as "the Marys of Maryknoll." Later on, when the women became a recognized religious congregation, they chose as their motto the response of Mary to the Angel: "Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it done to me according to thy word."

Although their official title was "The Foreign Mission Sisters of St. Dominic," few people knew them by any name other than the "Maryknoll Sisters." Some years later, it was officially changed to "The Maryknoll Sisters of St. Dominic."

Worthy of note here is the fact that, even though the men's Society and the Sisters' Congregation bear the same name of "Maryknoll," the two organizations are completely separate in all respects, including finances, as is the newest entity, the Maryknoll Lay Missioners. Each group is totally independent and self-sufficient, although we often collaborate in our work for mission of Jesus and the Church.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY WEDS



Petrina Louey (1989), daughter of Prisca Woo (1969) and Peter Louey, married Vincent Lam at Blessed Trinity Church on Bayview Ave. on December 12, 2004. Quite a number of MCS former teachers and friends were delighted to join them for the happy occasion. After the wedding, the couple decided to spend more time in Hong Kong and Petrina promised to come back to Toronto often to meet her MCS friends

Margaret Chau Wong ('63) and physician-husband Eric became proud and happy in-laws on July 9 when their eldest son Kevin married Le Van in Richmond Hill. Kevin is in computers and Le is a Chartered Accountant. The couple is settling down in Markham.

The church ceremony was well attended by friends and three generations of relatives coming from all corners of the globe. As well, the class of '63 was very well represented. The evening reception could have been mistaken for a reunion dinner! Everyone had a great time. The food was an eclectic combination of western and Chinese cuisine

Margaret and Eric, who were too busy with the wedding preparations to celebrate their own 35th anniversary in June, were invited to perform an "anniversary dance" after the bride and groom's first dance. All the 270 guests enjoyed watching their skilful and graceful movements



It was an evening to remember. We wish Kevin and Le the best of luck in their journey through life together, and may their perfect wedding day be the beginning of many more perfect days to come

MCS/MSS Joint Fundraising Event for the Motherhouse

The above event will be held on Saturday, May 6, 2006 at the Granite Club Toronto. Please mark this date in your calendar. Further details will be available in the newsletters in the coming months.

Welcome to our New Member

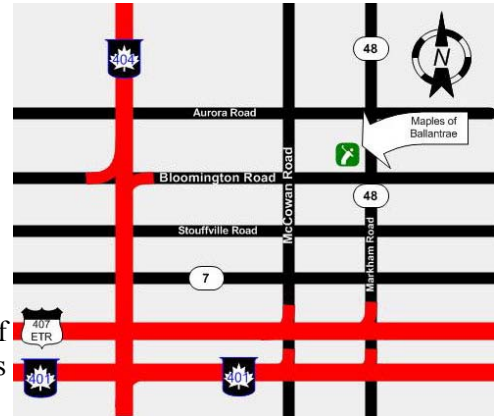
 * Rosie Yao Yu came to Canada in 1974 after finishing Form 4 in Hong Kong. After graduation in Canada, she settled down in Toronto. She is married with two children, daughter 21, and son 19. We extend our welcome mat to her and hope she has a happy time with us at our functions. *



To our Golf enthusiasts, we have good news. After a brief initial survey, there is good interest for an MCS Golf Tournament. We have therefore enlisted our past president, Kathy King, to assist your executive Lulu Yui to chair the first MCS Golf tournament. Details are as follows:

Date: Sunday, September 11, 2005
Place: Maples of Ballantrae Golf Course
 (Bloomington Rd. & Markham Rd.)
 Dinner at Golden Regency Restaurant, 太古金皇朝
 (Pacific Mall, Kennedy Rd. & 4300 Steeles E.)

- Game:** 4 people scramble (you can arrange your own foursome or the association can make up a four-some for you)
- Cost:**
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| Golf (with cart) and dinner | \$120.00 per person |
| Golf (with cart) only | \$ 95.00 per person |
| Dinner only | \$35.00 members |
| | \$40.00 non-members |
| | \$20.00 under 10 yrs |
- Tee Off Time:** 10.00 a.m.
Dinner: 7:30 p.m.
Registration: 6.30 p.m.



This is a first for our association as we endeavor to meet the interests of our members. Come and join your fellow Maryknollers with members of your family or friends.

Mahjong game is available for our non-golfers at a cost of \$5.00/head, (excluding any food,) starting at 2.30 p.m. at the restaurant. Please arrange for your own tables of 4 or contact your executive committee. Arrange your foursome for golf/mahjong and complete the form below.

Reply Form

Please complete this form and mail it (**together with your cheque**) to:
 P.O. Box 20056, Nymark Postal Outlet, 4839 Leslie Street, North York, ON M2J 5E4
 The deadline for golf registration is August 19 and no refund for golf fees thereafter. Dinner cancellation is still the usual 72 hours prior to the event.

Member's Name _____
 (Please print)

Year _____

Address _____

Tel. No. _____ E-mail Address _____

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| Golfer's Name(s) (with cart) and dinner | 1. _____ | 2. _____ |
| (\$120.00/person) | 3. _____ | 4. _____ |
| Golfer's Name(s) (with cart) only | 1. _____ | 2. _____ |
| (\$95.00/person) | 3. _____ | 4. _____ |
| Guest's Name (Dinner \$35.00/member) | 1. _____ | 2. _____ |
| (Dinner \$40.00/non-member) | 1. _____ | 2. _____ |
| Children under 10 yrs.(\$20.00/person) | 1. _____ | 2. _____ |

Cheque Enclosed, payable to **Maryknoll Convent Former Students (Ont.) Inc.**

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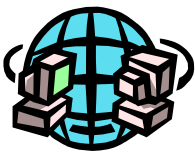
80th Anniversary Dinner



In response to the 80th anniversary dinner held in Hong Kong on February 19, 2005, the Ontario Maryknollers celebrated with a dinner held on February 25 at the Galaxy Restaurant in Richmond Hill. The dinner was well attended by members and their families.

The event started in the early afternoon for the mahjong players. There was a showing of a video taken by Fernanda de Pinna (1971) of Vancouver on the highlights of the Hong Kong Gala at the H.K. Convention Centre.

The evening began with a sumptuous Chinese dinner, followed by lucky draw and a report on the meeting held at MCS with Sr. Jeanne Houlihan and the representatives from various worldwide branches of Maryknoll Alumnae on the formation and structure of the Maryknoll Education Foundation. The evening ended with a happy note. With an attendance of 60, the Association was able to make a slight profit on the dinner and this is able to contribute to the badly needed operation expenses of the Association.



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| Year of Form 5 _____ Year Left Maryknoll _____ | |
| Please change my address effective on (day) _____ / (month) _____ / (year) _____ | |
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| Cell Phone No. _____ | E-mail Address _____ |
| Signature _____ | Date _____ |