



**Second Annual Pioneer Class of 1959 Meeting**

**Saturday, October 17, 2015**

**Board Room, Kellenburg Hall 10:00 – 12:00**

**Luncheon & Founders Forum**

**Reception Room, Kellenberg Hall 12:00 – 2:00**

**~~AGENDA~~**

**The Cameo Legacy Project**

**Planning Committee:** Mary Jane Reilly, Director of Alumni Relations, Gerry Burchell Dwyer-Riveiro, Margie Burns King, Kathy Gearin Razza, Joan Heide, Leone Helm Perez, Pat Hewitt Harter, Maura Madigan Kennedy, Rita O'Rourke Walling, Angela Pizza Malyk, Mary Ann Priore Francis, Anna Selva Koppinger, Kay Sherry Kolensky, Ro Sileo Erskine, Ro Waring Kotula, Dolores Gohery Golder, Judith Ann Waring Elia, Teresa Egan Kneuer, Ann Cassidy Kleug, Marie Barry Stile, Barbara Ann Rooney Stevens,. *All of the above have submitted a Cameo! A FIRST CLASS achievement!*

**In Attendance:** *Gerry, Ro S., Mary Ann, Dolores, Margie, Leone, Kathy, Rita, Terry & Joan.*

**Call to Order:** Joan Heide      A Step in Time ~ A Moment in Time!

Let us acknowledge Molloy's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We equally share in the 60<sup>th</sup> celebration of the opening of MCCW. Who could forget, Opening Day with Joan Rogers singing Oklahoma on the porch of the '915' mansion? And, there we were in the audience, seated on lawn chairs, watching it all roll out! A family forged in Faith!

**Opening Prayer:** Leone Helm Perez

**Introduction:** Kathy Gearin Razza

A brief Meet & Greet ...Name Tags...Distribute Agenda

**10:10** **A Molloy Welcome:** Catherine Tully Muscente, Executive Director of Development

## Reports of Committees:

10:15 Archivist Larissa Woo

- ~ Archival research & recovery of items from early history catalog—updated.
- ~ The Cameo rollout of the launching of the website, explained.
- ~ The possibility of 50s instrumental music with a photo slide show included.
- ~ An Architectural interpretation of the “915” mansion!

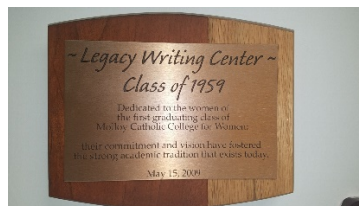
\*\*\* Mary Jane Reilly, Director of Alumni Relations, will stop by to introduce herself and address us as soon as she can break away from her very busy Homecoming schedule.

10:30 Geraldine Burchell Dwyer-Riveiro – Narrative report on 915 No. Village Ave.

10:40 Old Business:

~A Profile – Follow up with profiling the religious & faculty who taught us as suggested by Terry Egan Kneuer & Ro Waring Kotula.

~Legacy Writing Room – Incorporate the essence of Terry Egan’s vision for the Legacy Writing Room into this format.



~Honoring Deceased Classmates~

*Remember the **Spirit** of...*

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***Life** is a celebration of the **Soul!***

~Our active participation is surely coming to a close as we have obtained twenty-one Cameos, including one from a deceased classmate that was written years ago, representing half our class participating & a few are presently “works in progress”, while we remember the loss of seven classmates. Presently, our goal is to follow up on obtaining the Cameo “works in progress”, profiles & remembrances.

10:50 Summary: Leone Helm Perez

Closing Prayer: Kathy Gearin Razza

11:00 – 12:00 The Videographer will video tape all who are ready to record a Cameo...

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11:30 RECEPTION ~ Classes of '59 & '60

12:00 ~ PIONEER LUNCHEON

12:45 ~ FOUNDERS FORUM ~ Q & A

In Attendance: Barbara Black, Nancy LaMontagne Daly, Carole Gerrity, Marilyn Harris, Lorelle McSweeney Schaefer, Mary McGunnigle Specht, Mary Rourke Zargo.

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1:00 We welcome, Dr.Drew Bogner, President of Molloy College, on the occasion of the

Presentation of a crystal dish from the Pioneer Class of 1959.

We are grateful for your endorsement & support of this Cameo Legacy Project. It has been a joy for us to have this opportunity to reconnect with classmates & to do something significant for MCCW! May God continue to bless you for all you do for Molloy.

The engraving will say: Pioneer Class of 1959 with an American Beauty Rose floating above on the first of the three main triangles. MCCW will be boldly engraved on the next triangle as a reminder of Molloy Catholic College for Women. Finally the base of the third triangle will state the Dominican motto – MATER CONFIDENTIA NOSTRA. All of this will be united on the underbelly of this dish where there is a smooth surface to engrave the Molloy Lion!

State of the Cameo Legacy Project! - Joan Heide

It's been a half century and we are honored to have representation from the Class of '60 joining us. We are introducing the Cameo Legacy Project to you at the same time the College is launching the Cameo Website. What an auspicious occasion for us all to be part of the growth of Molloy on their 60<sup>th</sup> and at the time the Cameo Legacy Project goes 'live' with Dr. Drew Bogner at the helm.

Being here today, represents a year of growth and within this space of time, developing the Cameos have been a joint venture with our alumni and Molloy—namely Marion Flomenhaft, last year, Mary Jane Reilly this year & including support from Cathy Muscente.

As a facilitator, my job has been to link important steps that have gotten us to this point. By the way, you would really be very proud of the Cameos we have received, thus far. The content is stunning and beginning to identify a whole new aspect, of each of us, that is extremely interesting—you too will have many such moments! Quite an opportunity has been handed to us, by Dr. Bogner to enhance our footprint, so beyond what any of us ever could have dreamed of, had we had the time to actually dream! So embrace it & wonder!

Those who have already handed in a Cameo, show the reason for choosing Molloy, including incidents remembered & interactions with classmates & faculty plus subsequent years in Quealy & Kellenberg. It's your life's journey about your family and the influence your Catholic education had in forming your character, etc. – in other words, your personal autobiography! That is simply the sum & substance of a Cameo. Invite a classmate to the conversation... The common thread in all of this is to preserve the essence of each of our college years. Don't you agree?

And, for the benefit of the Class of '60, I'll include a recollection that you may enjoy and only we experienced as we made up the entire student body, some 100 of us in Quealy Hall. The partitions and the entire College were comfortably tucked into the Gym – how cozy! Now, there are a few stories, from that period of history that could be told by your class as well as ours. Thank heavens the partitions can't talk nor can we remember it all.

That description, as just outlined, plus a few housekeeping rules such as: keeping a Class list handy for continual updates, having a Working Document spread sheet ready to detail progress, and participating in conference calls with Mary Jane every other month will help just to keep you on track. Now you have a formula to place your mark on history!

In conclusion it must be said that this complete body of work is a joint effort of one & all!

1:20 Summary: Leone Helm Perez

Closing Prayer: Kathy Gearin Razza

~The Challenge of the Future~

Imagine a large complex, such as this college, 20,000 alumni strong with .16. buildings on a vast .27+. acre campus. No one looks at the stones that make up the foundation. They are mostly hidden under the surface, anyway. Everyone takes them for granted. But, they are vitally necessary to the structural integrity of the entire unit. If even one of the foundation stones were weak, removed or even missing, it could compromise the structural integrity of the entire complex. MCCW was built on Catholic principles of education that are flowering today, rooted in the Dominican tradition of study, spirituality, service and community – truly a mission statement for the present. '915' North Village Ave. was the footprint. We, the Pioneers, are the foundation and may God continue to bless the entire Molloy family of students, faculty and religious for all they are doing in HIS name...

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**It is our intention & wish to formally turn this Cameo Legacy Project over to those of you here representing the Class of 1960 to discuss, plan and put your own stamp on this endeavor. Kathy, Leone & I, along with a few others will be available on campus throughout this afternoon. We are staying for Mass, the reception & dinner this evening & will speak with you concerning any questions you may have. Be assured, the college will give you their full cooperation and all of us will be glad to mentor you but personally I feel you are your best team!**

**1:30 – 2:00 Founders Forum ~ Class of 1960 ~ The Cameo Legacy Project...**

