

# **MONDAY MINUTES**

- WEEKLY NEWS UPDATE-



# Breast Cancer Awareness Month #BreastCancerAwareness

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, an annual campaign to raise awareness of breast cancer. More than 249,000 people in the United States are diagnosed with breast cancer every year, and nearly 41,000 die from the disease. The Student Affairs team wore pink to stand up for breast cancer awareness. Wear pink next week to show your support! Post pictures on social media and tag @mariacollege.

Source: https://www.everydayhealth.com



Class of 1967 Celebrates 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion

Alumnae from the Class of 1967 gathered in Fitzgerald Court on Saturday, October 7 to share laughter and memories of their time spent here. Special guest Sr. Gail Waring, Class of 1963, presented highlights and key events in Maria's evolution from a sister formation college to its current status as a coeducational college offering two and four year degrees. Beautiful leis were provided by classmate, Ann Young '67, who lives in Hawaii.



#### Faculty Highlight Stephanie Hutchins PhD

Congratulations Associate
Professor, Stephanie Hutchins
PhD for completing the ADK 46
and the Northeast 115 highest
mountains (all the 4,000'
mountains in NY, VT, NH, and ME)
this past weekend.



New to Maria Roza Peretta, Assistant Director of Financial Aid

Roza officially started on September 25th as the new Assistant Director of Financial Aid. Stop by the Financial Aid office (Main Building) and give her a warm Maria welcome.



#### Mercy College's Elected Officials

The Mission Officers in all the Mercy Colleges and Universities in the Conference for Mercy Higher Education (CMHE) convened for their annual meeting with Moya Dittmeier, Executive Director for CMHE, in Washington, DC October 9-11.

They elected their leadership team for 2017/2018.

Victoria Battell RSM - Chair of the Mission Officers Council - VP for Mission, Maria College, Albany NY

**Marian Standeven** - Vice-Chair of the Mission Officers Council - Executive Director of Mission at St. Mary's College, Omaha NE

**Evelyn Saul Quinn** - Past Chair - VP for Mission, Georgian Court University, Lakewood, NJ

### Maria Market Food Pantry Main Building, Basement

From time to time, we all find that our weekly or monthly budgets have run short, but we still need to



buy food, detergent, shampoo, diapers, or any number of other items. The Maria Food Pantry is open Monday through Friday at various times that are posted on the pantry's door. For emergency service of the pantry, please email Drew Ledoux or Pam Hind.



#### Win a FREE Maria College shirt! Main Building, Bookstore

Want a free Maria College t-shirt or sweat shirt? Stop by the bookstore October 16-31 and guess how many candy corns are in the jar. The person who guesses the correct amount (or the amount closest to the correct amount) will win a free t-shirt or sweat shirt of their choice. Your guess earns you a 15% off coupon on one clothing item. One guess and one coupon per person. Coupon expires November 1.



#### Jumping into the Conversation Mercy Hall, Frances Warde Room

Join us for the second installment of, *Jumping into the Conversation*, where we will focus on effective strategies for thinking critically and communicating clearly in the Humanities. No reservation necessary. Contact <a href="mailto:tutoring@mariacollege.edu">tutoring@mariacollege.edu</a> for more information.

Monday, October 16 | 4:00pm-5:30pm Wednesday, October 18 | 4:00pm-5:30pm Friday, October 20 | 2:00pm-3:30pm



# Coffee Talk Thursday, October 19 | 11:00-1:00pm Main Building, Front Lobby

Special guest: Emily Gordon, from the Grand Healthcare. Let's talk about your resume! Missed our Resume Writing Workshop? Stop by and learn more about the resume writing process. It's never too early to begin crafting this important document! Contact Adrianne Rickson, Director of Career Services for more information.

# Irish Night Saturday, October 21 | 6pm-10pm Blessed Sacrament School, Albany, NY

The Circles of Mercy, an organization sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, will be hosting an Irish Night, open to the community. There will be singing, dancing,



food, raffle prizes and more. <u>Click here</u> for more information.



#### Busy Person's Retreat: Faculty & Staff October 22-27, 2017

Does the idea of attending a week-long retreat sound good to you, but the reality of taking a week off seems overwhelming? This retreat is designed with you in mind. The retreat will be held at Maria College for your convenience. For more information, please contact <u>Sr. Chris Connolly</u>.



# Purple Hands Campaign Monday, October 23 | 10am-1pm Marian Hall, Courtyard Corridor

Purple Hands Campaign: Hands and Words are not for Hurting project kicks off Domestic Violence Awareness Week. Students and employees are encouraged to share how their hands are used peacefully. A collage of hands will be posted on Marian Hall Courtyard windows.



# Domestic Violence and Our Communities October 23 & 25 | 4:30pm-5:30pm Mercy Hall, Frances Warde Room

The Crime and Victim Sexual Violence Center and New York State Police will present an overview of domestic violence in our communities with important resources for victims and bystanders of domestic violence. The presentation will also address responding to sexual assault and domestic violence in the patient population.



#### Rape Aggression Defense Training Starts: Tuesday, October 24 Main Building, Room 110

Rape Aggression Defense (R.A.D.) Training is a comprehensive, women-only course that begins with awareness, prevention, and risk avoidance strategies. The training also includes the basics of hands-on defense training. R.A.D. is NOT a martial arts program. The goal is to teach women techniques that allow them

to take an active role in their self-defense and psychological well-being. The training sessions will occur every Tuesday until November 14. To sign-up, please contact <u>Drew Ledoux</u> before October 24.



## Nursing Career Fair Thursday, October 26 | 3:30-5:30pm Marian Hall, Fitzgerald Court

Join Career Services for the Nursing Career Fair to learn about employer facilities, internships and job opportunities. Current list of employers: Arc of Rensselaer County, Capital Care, Center for Disability Services, Conifer Park, Glens Falls Hospital, Living Resources Corporation, Northern Rivers Family Services, NurseCore, Rehabilitation Support Services, and St. Peters Health Partners. Contact Adrianne Rickson, Director of Career Services for more information.



# Purple Friday Friday, October 27 | 8am-4:30pm Maria College Campus

The Maria community has been encouraged to wear purple and pledge against domestic violence by posting the hash tag #MariaAgainstDV on social media. On Friday, October 27, Student Affairs will randomly select one #MariaAgainstDV submission and award a prize.



# Nursing Poster Presentations Wednesday, November 15 | 3pm-5:30pm Main Building

The BS Degree in Nursing completion program students will be presenting their capstone projects that were completed at the St. Paul's Shelter and Daughters of Sarah. Students are living the mission of the College—to instill in our graduates a respect for the dignity of each person and the ability to transform learned skills into caring service.



# Video Contest: #makemercyreal Deadline: March 1, 2018

You are invited to submit a video for the 2018 #MakeMercyReal Video Contest! Mercy students tell the story through video of how people in their communities "make mercy real"- living out the Sisters of Mercy's Critical Concerns. Click here for more information.

#### "You embrace with tenderness all that



exists."

 $\hbox{\it --Pope Francis: A Prayer for the Earth}$ 

Do you have an announcement to make, an event to promote or a reminder for the Maria community? Use this weekly news update, Monday Minutes, to have your message delivered by Monday morning.

Click here to submit your story ideas!





