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# Ontario Maryknollers

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## Letter from Sr. Jeanne

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Dear Maryknollers,



I am very excited to announce a first-ever event organized by the Maryknoll Sisters: United Through Mission Gala Celebration to be held at the United Nations Headquarters in New York on Friday, October 14, 2016. *(Click on the picture for a larger view)*

It will be an event of fun and fundraising. There will be a raffle and silent auction. Ms. Shelley Lee of Class of 1966 will speak about Maryknoll Spirit in her life. Most importantly, we will present the Maryknoll Sisters Humanitarian Award in Patriotism to Mr. Bob Woodruff, ABC's Foreign Correspondent for Asia.

Besides being teachers, Maryknoll Sisters journey to many parts of the world to serve those most in need. From the beginning of the Congregation in 1912 to the present day, our Sisters have walked with many peoples through war, illness, abuse, neglect, poverty, and social injustice. We bring hope, peace, and pathways to a better life to the marginalized, who are often voiceless -- especially women. Our Foundress Mother Mary Joseph said in 1930, "There can be no Maryknoll Sister, worthy of the name who is not heroically generous to the very last inch of her being." Our goal to "make God's love visible," is the foundation of our work, beginning with our mission to China in 1921 to the present day.

Why the United Nations? For more than 18 years, the Maryknoll Office of Global Concerns has had a Sister with NGO Observer status. She uses education and advocacy for peace, social justice, and integrity of creation. Additionally, Sisters in

Africa focus on caring for orphans with HIV/AIDS.

Peru give voice to the indigenous people whose existence is threatened by human-induced climate change and water pollution. Cambodia aid victims of human trafficking.

China work with handicapped individuals and train nurses for the elderly in nursing homes, and

Bangladesh give hope by teaching young girls.

With deepest gratitude for all that YOU ARE!

Love and prayers,

Sister Jeanne Houlihan

## Message from the President

Dear Fellow Alumni Members:

Greetings from all of us in the committee. Thank you to our fellow members and their family and friends who came to our Spring Networking Dinner at The Mandarin Club. We spent a wonderful evening together with delicious food and an informative session with Daniel Wong, husband of Winnie Wong (1973), on how to maintain a healthy body. We are grateful to have Daniel to give us useful tips and demonstration on how to strengthen our bones and muscles.



2016 marks the end of our current term. We will have our Biennial General Meeting on October 16 at The Donalda Club. This year, we choose to have our BGM on a Sunday afternoon so that we can all enjoy the beautiful scenery at Donalda and avoid night driving in the Fall.

The Donalda Club is located at the convenient intersection of Hwy 401 and Don Valley Parkway. We will have our Sunday Brunch before the BGM meeting. Since this is the BGM, it is only open to our members. This event is subsidized by the Alumni, and you need to pay \$40 only. So please come join us to have some great time with your fellow members. Also, if you are interested in serving in our committee, please contact any of our committee members.

Last but definitely not least, I want to invite our fellow members to donate to our Maryknoll Motherhouse in New York. As you read in Sister Jeanne's letter, they are hosting a United Through Mission Gala Celebration in New York in October. This event is to raise funds for the Maryknoll Sisters' global ministries. If you wish to make a donation to this event, you can send us a cheque payable to "MCS Former Students (Ont.) Inc." and write "MCS Mission Gala" in the memo field. We will collect all the money and convert the funds to USD and mail the cheque to the Motherhouse before the Gala Celebration on Oct. 14, 2016

Hope you and your family have a wonderful summer. We look forward to seeing you at our Biennial General Meeting on October 16.

Best regards,

Wendy Man, President





Sr. Jeanne's letter is self explanatory. Moira Conzelman and Tania Souza (both of MCS class of 1967) have kindly volunteered to help coordinate among our alums for the event. For details, please refer to their letter below.

Dear fellow classmates and MCS/MSS alumnae,

After reading Sister's announcement, Moira and I would like to ask our alums to record a personal video message to the Sisters which will be broadcast at the Gala. Please submit your message by email to Lesley Mancuso, Director of Development at [lmancuso@mksisters.org](mailto:lmancuso@mksisters.org).

Regarding accommodations for our out-of-town attendees, we have organized 30 event packages that include room and board and a two-night stay at Maryknoll Sisters Center in Ossining, New York, plus a ticket to the Gala dinner. These are available on a first come, first served basis at a special price of \$750. While you are at Maryknoll, you will be taken on a tour of the Sisters Center and grounds, and enjoy your meals with Sisters. Please contact Sister Jeanne at [jhoulihan@mksisters.org](mailto:jhoulihan@mksisters.org) as soon as possible to reserve your room since space is limited.

Most importantly, please help make this a successful and memorable event by sponsoring a table, buying dinner tickets, placing a full page ad in the program, and ordering your raffle tickets. Please see the poster for details and contact Leslie Mancuso at [lmancuso@mksisters.org](mailto:lmancuso@mksisters.org) or call the Maryknoll Development Office at 914-941-0783 ext.5763. Moira and I would be glad to answer any questions you might have. Please save the date and join us for the celebration!

Warm regards,  
Moira Conzelman and Tania Souza  
MCS Class of '67

## Biennial General Meeting

Circle Oct. 16, 2016 on your calendars. We will be holding our BGM at Donalda Club, 12 Bushbury Drive, North York, ON. (Click on the Google map link for directions to the club.)  
<https://www.google.ca/maps/place/Donalda+Club/>

Registration is at 12.30 pm. with the distribution of the 2016 membership directory. Buffet lunch is served at 1.00. pm. The BGM is at 2.00 pm. followed by AAward presentation at 2.30 pm. The \$40 lunch is only open to members and is subsidized (our cost is \$75). Please note that as we have to commit numbers to the club. we would expect you to honour your commitment plus the subsidy (total of \$75) if you do not cancel before Oct. 7, 2016. There is ample free parking space at the site.

Your Checklist for the BGM:

1. Notify us of your change of address, email, telephone for the 2016 Membership Directory by July 22, 2016
2. Look out for our official BGM package in your mail in late July

3. Apply for the AA Award by Oct. 1.
4. Fill out the BGM registration form and send it to us before Aug. 15.
5. If you have to cancel your registration do so by Oct. 1 to avoid paying \$75.
6. Come and have fun on Oct. 16

## Academic Achievement Award



Once again, it is time for the awards to be presented to the children of our members. Students with an overall average of 80% and above in six On-

tario Academic Credits are eligible to apply. The awards will be given out at the Biennial General Meeting lunch on Sunday, Oct. 16, 2016. Transcripts should be sent to P.O. Box 91070, 2901 Bayview Ave., North York, ON M2K 2Y6 no later than Oct. 1, For further queries, please contact Gertrude Chan at 416-496-9671.

## BGM Lunch Reply Form

Member's Name (Please print) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Year \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cheque enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please make the cheque of \$40.00 payable to:  
**Maryknoll Convent Former Students (Ont.) Inc.**  
 and send it to

P.O. Box 91070, 2901 Bayview Ave.,  
 North York, ON M2K 2Y

No later than August 15, 2016.

## Our Condolences



Mr. Cheung Kin Kwok, Francis passed away peacefully in Toronto on June 18, surrounded by his children Teresa, Rose (MCS class of 1982), Joseph, Cecilia, Anthony and grandson Nicholas. He was 85 years old.

Born in 1931, Francis was the third of six children. His family moved to Hong Kong when he was 15. With perseverance, hard work, and a magnetic personality, he created Cheung's Film Production Company in Hong

Kong in the 60's. His businesses grew, expanding across Asia - Taipei, Singapore, Indonesia, Thailand and Philippines. In 1966, he wrote and directed his first feature film *The Super Eight of Peace Mountain*. In 1980, Francis and his family immigrated to Toronto, Canada settling in North York.

As founder & chairman of Chinavision, he launched the first national Chinese cable pay TV in Canada in 1984. In 1988, he launched Chinavision via satellite reaching over 90% Chinese population across Canada. His vision and dedication bridged the cultural divides in this great country.

He will be dearly missed by his family, friends and colleagues.



The graduates of 1974 celebrated their '60th Landing' (i.e. reaching their 60th birthday) with a party hosted by Dorothy Chan at her Clearwater Bay home in Hong Kong this May. Can you recognise some familiar faces? Past principals include Mrs Lydia Huang and Mrs Winifred Lin were present along with our Ontario past president, Jacqueline Lam Fong. Each was given a cushion with the number marked 60.

## How do we support the United Through Mission Gala?

**L**et us count the ways:

1. Attend the **Gala** on October 14 at the United Nations, New York City
2. Make a donation to the Maryknoll Sisters either directly or through MCS Formers Students (Ont) Inc.
3. Order raffle tickets.
4. Post an ad in the **Gala program book** with your friends and send a message of appreciation to the Maryknoll Sisters

Artwork should be in PDF format with the following dimensions:

Full page 7.5" w X 10" h US\$750

Half page 7.5" w X 4.875" h US\$500

Submission deadline : September 16, 2016

Submission to be emailed to [gala@mksisters.org](mailto:gala@mksisters.org)

US\$ money order or cheque payable to **Maryknoll Sisters of St. Dominic, memo: Gala**



# Maryknoll Worldwide Reunion 2017



June 27, 2016

Dear Ontario Maryknollers:

I am excited to share with you news of our Maryknoll Worldwide Reunion 2017.

The reunion will be a 7-night cruise - Vancouver-Alaska-Vancouver (return) from September 11, 2017 to September 18, 2017: 129 cabins have been secured to March 15, 2017 at very attractive rates – first come, first served and cruising the calm waters of the Inner Passage.

The comprehensive reunion registration package shall be launched on Canada Day (visit [www.mcsalumnibc.org](http://www.mcsalumnibc.org)). To tickle you just a little, here below are some very brief details:

Ports of Call    Juneau, Skagway, Ketchikan  
Cruiseline:       Norwegian Cruise Line (aboard Norwegian Sun)  
Cruise Agent:   Silkway Travel and Cruise (Oakridge Mall Branch)

**FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS ARE WELCOME**

Group Prices per person:       inside cabin CAD\$1,137.95 (all inclusive)  
Ocean view cabin                    CAD\$1,522.95 (all inclusive)  
Balcony cabin                        CAD\$2,202.95 (all inclusive)

Double occupancy (there is a limited number of cabins for multiple occupancy; that is, three, four or five guests at reduced prices and sharing the same cabin);

FREE GRATUITIES for first and second guests of a cabin only; third, fourth and fifth guests sharing the same cabin must prepay gratuities;

😊 plus tons of other FREE stuff, an awesome selection of Shore Excursions and much much more!

Looking forward to welcoming all of you onboard.

Fernanda de Pinna Ho, Chair  
MCS class of 1971

