

# INSIDEMU

*InsideMU* is a biweekly newsletter for Marymount faculty and staff.

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## IN THE SPOTLIGHT... Faculty/Staff Holiday Party

Don't forget to RSVP for the annual Faculty/Staff Holiday Party and Service Award Presentation on **Wednesday, December 20**. If you wish to attend, call the Conference Center, ext. 1540, by **Friday, December 15**.

The reception begins at 6:30 p.m.; Service Awards for faculty, staff, and administrators celebrating milestone years of employment will be presented at 7:15 p.m. (A list of honorees is attached to this newsletter.) Dinner, featuring dancing with live music, follows.

At the dinner, several prizes will be awarded to individuals who supported the Faculty/Staff Scholarship by donating to the Campus Fund between July 1 and December 20. Prizes include three month-long reserved parking spaces on Main Campus or at the Ballston Center, a Marymount University bookstore (Barnes & Noble) gift certificate, and gift certificates to a variety of local restaurants. If you'd like to be in the running and haven't yet made a gift, simply use the secure online giving site at [www.marymount.edu/support](http://www.marymount.edu/support). You need not be present to win.

## FYI High Tea, Anyone?

Don't miss an opportunity to enjoy the Mother Butler Mission Guild Tea on Tuesday, December 12, from 2-4 p.m., in the festively decorated Main House. It is certain to be an elegant afternoon, featuring delicious sandwiches, petit-four pastries, and other goodies. Admission is \$10, and you are asked to bring an unwrapped gift for a teen.

If you cannot attend the tea, you can still support the Mission Guild by purchasing a raffle ticket. You need not be present to win prizes, which include \$100 cash and Barnes & Noble gift certificates. The raffle drawing will take place at about 3 p.m.

To buy admission or raffle tickets, or to arrange to drop off your gift if you cannot attend, please call **Sr. Irene Cody, RSHM**, ext. 1692, before December 12.

## Nativity Scenes on Display

Twenty nativity scenes from countries around the world, including Latvia, Tanzania, Guatemala, the Phillipines, and the U.S., are on display near the Reinsch Library circulation desk and in the corridor outside the library through Sunday, December 17. The crèches, from the collection of James and Emilia Govan, represent just a fraction of the more than 400 scenes the couple collected over many years of travel. Librarian **Margaret Margeton**, who arranged for the display, attends the same church as Mr. Govan.

## Help Spread Some Christmas Joy

You can help to brighten the holidays for the less fortunate!

The Student Nurses Association is working with the DC Firefighters Burn Association to collect toys for Children's Hospital. Drop off new, unwrapped toys in designated boxes located in the Lee Center by Bernie's, at the School of Health Professions, and at the Ballston Center. Your generosity will bring a bit of cheer to a child who must spend the holidays in the hospital.

Campus Ministry is partnering with the Diocesan Prison Ministry Office to provide religious Christmas cards and stamps to incarcerated men, women, and youth in local prisons, jails, and juvenile detention centers. Please bring unused or new religious Christmas cards to the Campus Ministry Office in The Lodge, before December 8.

## Faculty Quiet Hours

Need a quiet place where you can grade papers and exams? The Center for Teaching Excellence has the solution. Beginning December 11 through December 19, from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., the Center will provide refuge to faculty in room 407 of the Ballston Center. In addition to a peaceful environment, coffee, tea and snacks will be provided.

## Bookstore Offers Discounts

The Bookstore will offer faculty and staff members 20 percent off purchases today through Wednesday, December 6.

## Don't Be a Scrooge

There's still time to buy tickets for this year's holiday theater outing to see *A Christmas Carol* at Ford's Theatre. The performance is at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 14, and tickets are just \$36. Look for sign-up sheets coming to you via campus mail. You may also contact **Katt Hancher**, ext. 1617, for more information.

## Payroll Date Reminders

Because of the Christmas and New Year holidays, December's pay dates fall only one week apart, on the 15<sup>th</sup> and the 21<sup>st</sup>, with the next pay date on January 15, 2007. Please plan accordingly.

## Fuel for Thought

Marymount faculty and staff are invited to help serve and distribute a late-night breakfast during a prefinals study break for commuter and resident students on Wednesday, December 6, from 9 to 11 p.m. in the Gerard Dining Hall.

The event, sponsored by the Office of Residence Life, is intended to be a morale booster for students before they come face-to-face with

their blue books. For more information or to sign up, please contact **Luz Torres**, ext. 1608, or **Veronica Wilson**, ext. 2648.

## Designer of the Year Announced

Save the date! Legendary American sportswear designer and *Project Runway* judge **Michael Kors** will visit Marymount to accept the 2007 Designer of the Year Award at *Portfolio in Motion* on April 27. Watch for more details in an upcoming issue of *InsideMU*.

## PLAUDITS

**Gail Flatness**, assistant professor and librarian, and **Ellen Smith**, assistant professor and librarian, Library and Learning Services, recently presented "Pulling the Plug: The End of a Consortium-based Virtual Reference Service" at the Virginia Library Association's annual meeting in Williamsburg, VA.

**Dr. Mark Trowbridge**, associate professor of Art History, presented "Sin and Redemption in Late-Medieval Theater: Hugo van der Goes's Vienna Diptych" at the Historians of Netherlandish Art Conference in Baltimore, MD, in November. He also presented "Late-Medieval Processional Plays in Aalst, Belgium: A View from the Archives" at the Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies Conference in Binghamton, NY, in October.

## PEOPLE Welcome

**Wilson Ningamai Nyah**, accounts representative, Student Accounts (ext. 1486; wilson.nyah@marymount.edu)

**Karen Rumpler**, administrative secretary, President's Office (ext. 1598; karen.rumpler@marymount.edu)

**Kathleen Sebby**, acquisitions associate, Library and Learning Services (ext. 1534; kathleen.sebby@marymount.edu)

## PRAYERS REQUESTED

Please pray for the repose of the souls of two Marymount students who died recently:

**Delily Marandure**, a graduate student in the School of Business Administration's Human Resource Management program

**Jennifer Bower**, a graduate student in the School of Education and Human Services

## EVENTS

**December 6**—Career and Internship Center Holiday Open House, Ballston Center, Suite 207, 4-7 p.m.

**December 6**—Women's and men's basketball vs. Catholic, Verizon Sports Arena, women's game – 6 p.m., men's game – 8 p.m.

**December 7**—Holiday Bazaar, Lee Center Atrium, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

**December 8**—Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass; Chapel; 7:30 a.m., noon, and 5 p.m.

**December 9**—Women's and men's basketball vs. Goucher, Verizon Sports Arena, women's game – 2 p.m., men's game – 4 p.m.

**December 10**—Christmas Dinner with students, Dining Hall, 5 p.m.; Candlelight Mass, Chapel, 7 p.m.

**December 11**—Penance Service and Sacrament of Reconciliation, Chapel, 9 p.m.

# Congratulations to Marymount University's 2006 Service Award Honorees

## **Full- and Part-time Service Awards**

### **35 Years of Service**

Alice Mandanis, School of Arts and Sciences

### **30 Years of Service**

Rajamma George, School of Health Professions  
Louise Marshall, School of Business Administration

### **25 Years of Service**

Wayne Lesko, School of Education and Human Services  
Terry Long, School of Business Administration  
Kate Sheehan, School of Arts and Sciences

### **20 Years of Service**

Alemu Befekadu, Campus Safety and Transportation  
Carolyn Bonilla, Registrar's Office  
Issa Feghali, School of Business Administration  
Preston Godfrey, Campus Safety and Transportation  
Linda Greenland, Library and Learning Services  
William Miller, School of Arts and Sciences  
Joy Pitcher, School of Education and Human Services  
Leah Roa, School of Education and Human Services  
Fatma Youssef, School of Health Professions

### **15 Years of Service**

Virginia Bianco-Mathis, School of Business Administration  
Charles Brand, School of Education and Human Services  
Gordon Buckley, Campus Safety and Transportation  
Michael Clark, Athletics  
Suzanne Doherty, School of Education and Human Services  
Brenda Fawcett, School of Education and Human Services  
Elizabeth Hackett, Student Health Center  
Charles Hurst, School of Business Administration  
Fayza Kamel, School of Health Professions  
Rhett Leverett, Academic Success Center  
James Miller, Library and Learning Services  
Robert Wildman, Physical Plant  
Francisco Sanchez, Campus Safety and Transportation

### **10 Years of Service**

Michael Bolton, School of Education and Human Services  
Laurie Callahan, University Communications  
Louis Crucet, Physical Plant  
Patricia Darling, Administrative Information Services  
Pamela Diener, School of Health Professions

JoAnn Daly, School of Education and Human Services  
Chris Domes, Enrollment and Student Services  
Shelley Dutton, University Communications  
Dorothy Firnbach, Student Health Center  
Suzanne Harvey, Career and Internship Center  
David Killian, Library and Learning Services  
Jessica King, Conference Center  
David Lutes, Information Technology Services  
George Minich, School of Arts and Sciences  
Aline Orfali, International Student Services  
Robert Otten, Academic Affairs  
Julie Ries, School of Health Professions  
Richard Rose, School of Arts and Sciences  
Todd Rimkus, School of Arts and Sciences  
Martha Rush, Business Services  
Elsa Schaefer, School of Arts and Sciences  
Agegnehu Sisay, Physical Plant  
Christopher Snyder, School of Arts and Sciences  
Kristie Stover, School of Business Administration  
Koki Teku, School of Health Professions  
Elizabeth Wilson, Athletics

#### **5 Years of Service**

Sr. Thecla Aguilar, RSHM Community  
Wilfredo Alcabasa, Campus Safety and Transportation  
Girmachew Ayele, Mailroom  
James Bundschuh, President's Office  
Marcia Dursi, Library and Learning Services  
Terry Lowe-Edwards, University Communications  
David Fersch, Administrative Information Services  
Anthony Fields, Physical Plant  
Jordana Fornier-Belonio, Admissions  
Aweke Gebrehiwot, Physical Plant  
Mary Giordano, School of Health Professions  
Corinne Grimaldi, Athletics  
Sandy Henderson, Student Development  
Mary Lindahl, School of Education and Human Services  
Madeline McLaughlin, Library and Learning Services  
Diane Murphy, School of Business Administration  
Amy Pappas, Purchasing  
Behnaz Quigley, School of Business Administration  
Francesca Reed, Graduate Admissions  
Jonathan Reynolds, Athletics  
Mary Sheldon, Academic Affairs  
Janeifer Smith, Administrative Information Services  
Scott Spencer, Registrar's Office  
Rosemarie Vick, Residence Life  
Lorna Wheeler, Campus Safety and Transportation