

Heart Beat

The Sacred Heart School of Montreal



Patricia Briand

she/her
Incoming Head of School

Q&A corner!

It is an absolute honour for me to be joining the Sacred Heart School of Montreal as your next Head of School. Over the past several months I have been working closely with Mr. O'Donnell, the Board of Directors, and the leadership team in order to hit the ground running when we begin the new school year in August. Since being chosen Head of School, I am grateful to regularly encounter Sacred Heart alums who are brimming with pride, ready to welcome me into this kind and supportive community.

I am eager to work alongside the dedicated Sacred Heart community to tackle the exciting work ahead and learn about the school's culture and traditions. I wholeheartedly embrace the Sacred Heart mission and goals, and share the SHSM vision of "empowering girls to meet the challenges of an ever-changing world". Indeed, the world around us looks very different than it did even a few years ago, but one thing that does not change is the incredible good that is built in schools and the bright future of our children. I look forward to meeting you all, and forming strong bonds in support of our students.



married to a wonderful man who brings me flowers "just because".

Tell us a little bit about yourself?

After having the good fortune of travelling, living, and working in places all over the world, I am proud to call Montreal home. I am a life-long educator, a dog-lover, an avid reader, and have a nostalgic love for the music of the 70's. Most importantly, I am Mom to 2 incredible children, and

What drew you to Sacred Heart?

Everyone I met in the Sacred Heart community showed such immense pride - their sense of community and commitment to the school's future was truly heartwarming. Sacred Heart's mission is founded on academic excellence and timeless values. I believe this gives Sacred Heart strength and confidence to innovate and evolve, and I am excited to be part of its next chapter!

What are you most looking forward to?

The first day of school is always special - fresh new pens and backpacks, the promise of new friendships, the opportunity to set and meet new goals! I can't wait to meet the students and work with our incredible team of faculty, staff, and parents to make 2023-2024 a remarkable school year.

Any summer plans?

I just love the summer season: BBQs, farmer's markets, catching up on some good books, road trips, and long days of sunshine! I'll be spending some time with my family in the Gaspé - being near the ocean is great for the soul (the lobster is pretty amazing, too)!



Shawn O'Donnell

Outgoing Head of School

As the warm rays of the summer sun announce vacation time, I find myself reflecting on the incredible journey we have shared, and it is with a mix of emotions that I write this farewell message to all of you.

Students, you have been a true source of inspiration throughout my tenure. Your boundless curiosity, endless energy, and thirst for knowledge have kept the flame of education alive. Remember that learning is not confined to the classroom, but extends to every aspect of life. Embrace opportunity, chase your dreams, and let your unique brilliance light up the world.

To the entire school community, I extend my deepest gratitude. Your unwavering support and commitment to excellence have made this institution unique. We have celebrated achievements, weathered challenges, and created a community that cherishes integrity, inclusivity, and lifelong learning.

As I bid farewell, I do so with a sense of fulfillment and excitement for what lies ahead. Retirement will bring its own adventures, but I will forever cherish the memories we have shared. Please know that the impact you have had on my life is immeasurable, and the legacy we have built together will endure for generations to come.

May the new school year bring a renewed sense of purpose and joy to each of you. Thank you once again for allowing me to be a part of your lives, and I wish you all a future filled with endless possibilities and boundless success.



A Retrospective...



2010, Europe Trip



2011, Christmas around the World



2013, with graduates after Prizes



2012, Parade de Parures de Têtes



2014, ALS Ice Bucket Challenge



2020, Annual Winter Gala



2015, with '15-'16 Prefects



2017, Prefect Pin Ceremony



2019, AMASC Pin Ceremony



2016, Girls for the Cure



2018, Prizes Ceremony



2021, back to school!

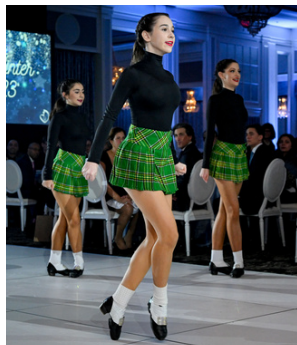


2022, Ribbons Ceremony



Annual Winter Gala

February 24th marked a beautiful and emotional evening of celebration for Sacred Heart as we welcomed our community to our annual winter gala, which this year honoured Mr. Shawn O'Donnell's fourteen years of tireless work for our school. Our show choir opened the evening, Costello's Irish Dancers brought Mr. O'Donnell's Irish heritage to the dance floor, and alums and faculty created a video to share their gratitude and love for Mr. O'Donnell. Thank you to everyone who came to celebrate - thanks to sponsorships, registration fees, raffle tickets, live auction items, and donations, you raised over \$95,000 for the Sacred Heart Bursary Fund in honour of Shawn O'Donnell!



Thank you, Mr. O'Donnell, for fourteen amazing years with us at The Sacred Heart School of Montreal. Your great sense of humour, encouraging personality, enduring kindness, and most of all your unending commitment and dedication to the school's life, community, and future will remain with us forever. Who could forget the way you remembered the names of each individual in our community, how you came to cheer on our students at each extracurricular, or even your great ties for every occasion? Your legacy will always be an important part of Sacred Heart. We wish you courage et confiance in your retirement!



SCHOOL NEWS

Italie 2023

Ciao, Italia! Cette année, nous avons visité l'Italie pendant la semaine de relâche. Magnifique! Notre voyage a commencé à Venise et nous a conduit à Florence, Rome, Sorrente et Serra San Bruno avant de se terminer par une visite à Crotone en bord de mer. Un grand merci à M. Gallo, M. McRae, Mme Toulou, Mme Lane, Mme Phaneuf et Mme Maloni d'avoir été nos guides!



Career Morning

Alums and a current parent returned to Sacred Heart in February to help guide our Secondary Vs as part of the school's annual Career Morning! They spoke about their professions, shared advice, and gave our students some practical knowledge to take away as they planned for post-secondary life. Thank you to the returning alums and family who helped make this morning a great success!



Middle photo, left to right: Katya Minicucci '92, Valentina Corsetti '91, Dr. Craig Baldry (father to Mackenzie '23), Victoria Aleccio '13, Elena Kratsios '12, Allyssa Analytis '07, Josephine McNamara '81, and Alum Coordinator Maureen Brown '80

Congrats, Ms. Cusma!

Ms. Maria Cusma-Dovico has a long history at the Sacred Heart School of Montreal, both as an alumna of the class of '06 and as a current teacher (and head of the Ethics and Religious Culture department!). But there's more - next year, Ms. Cusma will be taking on yet another challenge as the Director of Student Life! Congratulations, Ms. Cusma - we can't wait for what next year will bring!



SCHOOL NEWS

The second half of the year sees two big projects come together - our Sec. IV Youth & Philanthropy Initiative (YPI) and our Sec. V Student Stock Exchange (SSX) - and both were a great success! Three YPI groups each represented charities to the school in the hopes of winning their charity a \$5,000 grant, and Jeunesse Lambda was this year's recipient! Meanwhile, our seven SSX groups - Pasta è Piu, Muchas Amigas, About Friday Night, Plateau Platter, Copybara's Candy Farm, Got Cake?, and Ain't That A Bite - ran an incredible two selling days that had our gym full of hungry and eager customers!



Messe des '23 & Remise des épingles AMASC

Le 23 mai, nous nous sommes rassemblé-es pour honorer nos élèves de la classe de 2023 lors de notre messe annuelle et de la cérémonie de remise des épingles AMASC! Familles et ancien·nes élèves ont été invitées à célébrer cette tradition. En recevant leurs épingles, la classe de '23 est souhaitée la bienvenue dans la réseau mondiale des ancien·nes élèves des écoles Sacré-Coeur - y compris M. O'Donnell!



Coordinatrice des ancien·nes Maureen Brown '80 donnant une épingles AMASC à M. O'Donnell



Raffaella Vincenti '23 (droite) avec père Alfonso Vincenti, mère Sofia Muzzo '90, et soeurs Mia '17 et Lola '20



Savannah Corsetti '23 (milieu droite) avec mère Jennifer Pino, soeur Stella Beaulieu '27, et tante Valentina Corsetti '91



SPRING EVENTS

Go, go, Joseph!

2023's end-of-year production, directed with much love by Ms. Maureen Brown '80, was incredible to watch! *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat* took to the stage from May 4-6 in a bright and colourful flurry of song, dance, and fun, all narrated by triple threat grad Jacqueline Vincelli '23!



Spring Concert

Our Spring Concert was a sight to behold as our youngest musicians played full pieces for the first time and our Concert Band took flight with the help of hard-working Sec. II students joining the band reserved for seniors. We even surprised Mr. O'Donnell by having him conduct our rendition of *We Don't Talk About Bruno*!



Sports Banquet

Athleticism, teamwork, and a sporting attitude were rewarded at June 1st's Sports Banquet, including honouring Ms. Megan Littman for earning the GMAA Award of Merit. What a celebration of another great year of athletics - capped off by our Bantam and Juvenile flag football teams bringing home their banners!



Prizes

After a stressful exam season, our annual Prizes Ceremony was a great way to finish the year! Academic achievement and diligence were, as always, honoured across all grades, as well as special prizes for the student (Julia Mazzarello '23) and House (Duchesne!) with the most total House Points. We even got treated to a musical interlude by graduates Jacqueline Vincelli '23 and Savannah Corsetti '23, supported by Mr. Pooyan on drums!



Farewells!

On June 28th, the school celebrated the retirement of Mr. Shawn O'Donnell and Mr. Peter Ward, as well as the farewells of a few of our beloved faculty and staff!



Left to right: Angelo Gallo, Patricia Potter, David Redda, Kathy McNally, Maureen Brown '80, Pooyan Haghighat, Toulia Michalakos, Colleen O'Donnell, Marie-Elaine Laquerre, Catherine Gauthier, Roxanne Martel, Myriam Phaneuf, Shawn O'Donnell, Peter Ward, Rosemary Vaupshas, Joanne Mastro, Gedi Snapkauskas, Lili Le Fèvre, Gabriella D'Onofrio '13, Dawn Cumming, Colleen Bronson, Anika Maloni '97, Isabel Brinck '92, Christie Spiropoulos, Erika Rath

Nia Leventis

Ms. Nia Leventis has been our registrar for many years, taking care of COBA and substitutions alike. Wishing Nia the best of luck in her new endeavours!

Annick Lefebvre

Ms. Annick Lefebvre came out of retirement to be of great help to us this year, and we can't thank her enough for her care! Good luck with re-retirement!

Mary Gendron

Ms. Mary Gendron also returned from retirement to help us - students were delighted to see her back! Thank you, Mary; enjoy retired life once more!

Catherine Gauthier

Mme Catherine Gauthier, professeure de français bien-aimée, nous quitte cette année pour réaliser son rêve d'enseigner au niveau CÉGEP. Bonne chance, Catherine!

David Gubiani

Mr. David Gubiani quickly picked up the affectionate nickname "Goobs" due to his good humour - he had no trouble making math fun! Good luck in your future endeavours, David!



Jess Dobson

Ms. Jess Dobson helped us in many ways this year; as our Residence Life Coordinator, swimming coach, and guide to our Grade 12s! Wishing all the best to Jess (and her dog Charlie) on Vancouver Island!

Peter Judson

Mr. Peter Judson is in a class of his own, a kind and gentle soul who has returned from retirement to help us countless times. We wish him all the best and a true start to retired life!

Miranda Ramchatesingh

Ms. Miranda Ramchatesingh has given us a fresh perspective as our art teacher for the last two years, always giving her all! Wishing her good health and luck for the future!

Marie-Elaine Laquerre (sabbatical)

Après 20 ans de travail à l'École Sacré-Cœur, professeure de français Mme Marie-Elaine Laquerre prends un congé bien mérité cette année! Bon repos, Marie-Elaine!

Peter Ward

Mr. Peter Ward is an institution in his own right at Sacred Heart. His big smile and kind personality will be sorely missed greeting students and families alike on their way home from school. Best wishes in your retirement, Peter, and please come visit soon!



Grade 12

Grads

Where are they headed?

Alyssa Bucaro '21: Bachelor of Science (Major in Exercise Science), Concordia University

Taryn Costigan-Coleman '22: Bachelor of Arts (Major in History), Concordia University

Sarah Lee Cron: Engineering - deciding between multiple offers

Marieve Gagnon: Bachelor of Science (Kinesiology), University of the Incarnate Word as a member of their NCAA Division I artistic swimming team.

Qi Jiang '22: Experimental Animation, OCAD University

Rebekka Jonasson '22: Computer Science, Mount Allison University

Sarah Wen Yu Ong: Life Science, University of Toronto St. George

Amanda Souaid: Majoring in International Business and minoring in Finance, Concordia University

Francesca Volpato '21: Early Childhood & Elementary Education, Concordia University

Though a small class, our Grade 12 graduates formed close-knit bonds that they will carry with them forever. June 5th marked their convocation, and we were so happy to celebrate with them! Wishing the Pre-U class of 2023 the best of luck in their future endeavours!



Taryn '22 with mom Cynthia Costigan '84 and dad Douglas Coleman.



Qi '22 with sister Nan (Elly) Jiang '24 and mom Jixia Qi.



Tara Durley '85

Alum Association President

As the school year comes to a close, we welcome the graduates of 2023 into the Alum Association. As you continue on your journey, remember the goals of the Sacred Heart and live your lives with these in mind. We also wish Mr. O'Donnell and Mr. Ward a happy retirement. You are all beginning a new chapter in your lives!

We look forward to welcoming all alums back for our Alum Reunion in the fall on October 20th, 2023. Happy summer to all!



2023



Congratulations, grads!

June 21st marked our beautiful Secondary V convocation. Mme Christiane de Sainte Marie '67, beloved former teacher, returned as guest speaker to wish the best to the last class she ever taught, Erica Paul gave a heartwarming speech as valedictorian, and our graduates walked the stage for the last time to receive their diplomas!

Sec V Convocation

"Soyez la lumière qui guidera notre société vers un monde meilleur."

-Christiane de Sainte Marie '67



Olivia Blizzard with mom Andrea Chen '88 and cousin Morgan Williams '24



Lucy Tretiak accepting her diploma with Mr. O'Donnell and aunt, Board President Tania Tretiak '86



Christiane de Sainte Marie '67 Francophile Prize: Jacqueline Vincelli and Yixuan Wang with Christiane de Sainte Marie '67



Heather MacDougall '67 Memorial Prize for Art: Emma Catallozzi with Christina MacDougall '09



Genny Marilley '87 Memorial Prize for Social Activism and Community Service: Anne Marie Marilley '82 Johns shaking hands with Olivia Blizzard



Julia Ciani '18 Memorial Prize for Academic Achievement, Athleticism, and Engagement: Mackenzie Baldry with Liana '20 and Rosemarie Ciani '16

Where are they headed?

Dawson
COLLEGE

Olivia Bourret, Alik Markarian, Katya Markarian, Lucy Tretiak, Cassidy Wilson

JOHN ABBOTT
CÉGEP/COLLEGE

Olivia Blizzard, Sabrina Colella, Alexandra Scodras, Jacqueline Vincelli, Madison Wareham



MARIANOPOLIS
COLLEGE

Chloe Blundell, Savannah Corsetti, Kiara Lavallée-D'Andrea, Julia Mazzarello, Bianca Paolucci, Erica Paul, Maya Piscopos, Téa Smeraglia, Emily Stevenson, Marianna Triassi, Raffaella Vincenti, Yixuan Wang, Céleste Zabbal, Ariana Zacchigna, Keira Zerbino

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Kiara Caprera, Pak Yung Janice Chan, Yoonha Cho, Maya Djurovic, Marlena Ching Laam Fok, Kaitlyn Ment-Khoury, Kaylin Montour

Stanstead
College

Carolyn Berkling Drouin & Emma Catallozzi

VANIER
CÉGEP/COLLEGE

Gabriella Szanajda Monticciolo

CÉGEP de La Pocatière
Centre d'études collégiales de Montmagny

Sarah Price



Mackenzie Baldry



Mélodie Zabbal





Prom 2023

Oh, what a night! Our grads put on the Ritz on June 22nd into the early hours of the next morning to celebrate hitting this huge milestone. Before that, though, they stopped by the school for the last time for the traditional class photo!



Mackenzie Baldry '23 (middle) with sister Cassandra '20 and cousin Lauren Macdonald '16



22nd Annual Golf Tournament

Perfect company and great weather sums up this year's golf tournament at Golf St-Raphaël! June 8th started off with coffee graciously offered by Café Milano and breakfast from St-Viateur Bagel and Lafrencaie. Thank you to the generous donors and supportive bidders who raised a record of \$5,670 worth of raffle tickets and close to \$9,500 from the online silent auction! The tournament raised an unbelievable \$75,000 net for our Bursary Fund!

The golf tournament wouldn't have been possible without the support of our sponsors. Many thanks to – Cart Sponsor, TD Bank; Cocktail Sponsor, Novirtus Transport Quality Carriers; Food Station Sponsors, PSB Boisjoli and Mansfield Private Counsel; Wine and Beer Sponsor, Botsis Fruits and Legumes; and Water Bottle Sponsor, FANA; as well as to our 2023 hole sponsors – AGAPE Senior's Wellness Centre, Citernes Experts Inc., Enseignes Montreal Neon Signs inc., EQ Finance, Golden Home Care, Laurus Summer Camp, Laval News, Mongiat Bernucci, Montreal Tank Wash, Peak Group, Planit Construction, Quala, Remax Excellence – Antonio Crescenzi, Slimwave Technologies, and STR Logistics.

The City House Cup, awarded to the best overall foursome, went to Jennifer Newton '06 and her family: Mom, Louise; Dad, Gary; and brother, Chris. The Founders Cup, which goes to the best alum foursome, went to Mary Ann Advincula '91, Maureen Brown '80, Tara Durley '85, and Rosemary Vaupshas '78.

Thank you to our Sacred Heart community - we hope to see you on the green next year!



City House Cup: City House Trustee Sal Catallozzi with winners Jennifer Newton '06, Gary Newton, Chris Newton, & Louise Newton



Founder's Cup: City House Trustee Sal Catallozzi with winners Rosemary Vaupshas '78, Mary Ann Advincula '91, Tara Durley '85, & Maureen Brown '80



Left to right: Marie-Claire Paré '59 Holland, Lauren MacDonald '16, Mary Ann Advincula '91, Tara Durley '85, Diane Lafave '60, Maureen Brown '80, Helen Lee, Jennifer Newton '06, Rosemary Vaupshas '78, Erin Brown-Vandecruys '09, Caroline Emblem



SACRED HEART CANADAWIDE ALUM NEWS



CASHA Merges With AASH Remains as Key Canadian Alum Resource

Many of our alums are aware of the Canadian Association of Sacred Heart Alumnae and Alumni (CASHA) which began collecting dues from the six active Canadian Alumnae Associations: Winnipeg, Vancouver, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal and Halifax in 1986. The purpose of CASHA was to represent Canada in the Association Mondiale des Anciennes du Sacre Coeur (AMASC) and to set up a Canadian Hospitality Register so we can accommodate alumnae/alumni from all over the world. CASHA encourages the many activities of the local Associations at the Sacred Heart School of Halifax and the Sacred Heart School of Montreal.

CASHA has decided to take a hiatus. A vote was taken on February 19th, 2023, that CASHA accepts AASH's offer to join their alumni association until such time in the future that CASHA forms a new executive to govern CASHA. Canada will still have voting rights to remain as a member of AMASC. During the motion, heartfelt thanks were given to the CASHA executive and to the many who have volunteered over the past 36 years. The Associated Alumnae and Alumni of the Sacred Heart (AASH) is a non-profit organization of all alumnae and alumni of present and former schools and colleges directly associated with the Religious of the Sacred Heart in the United States and Canada. Learn more about AASH at www.aash.org.



Sarah Cassidy, current CASHA President, has been invited to assume a role on the AASH Board as the CASHA ambassador. She will attend AASH meetings, liaise with the AMASC hospitality network, build relationships and provide open communications with North American and global alumni. She will also encourage attendance at AMASC world congresses and AASH conferences.

Left to Right: Deborah Dunham, Cor Unum recipient 2023/AASH Ambassador; Sarah Cassidy, Canada Ambassador; and Shirley Andreu, Puerto Rico Ambassador

Recently, Sarah joined the Canadian contingent at the 44th National AASH Conference that took place May 18th-20th, 2023, at St Philomena School of the Sacred Heart in Portsmouth, RI, the newest school in the Sacred Heart Network.

Left to Right: Sarah Cassidy, SHSH alum; Frances Murphy, Point Grey BC alum; June Donavon, Elmhurst alum; and Catherine MacDonald, SHSH alum.



In Memory Of...

Sr. Merle Pedersen, RSCJ

On April 18th, 2023, Sr. Merle Pedersen, RSCJ died peacefully, at the age of 101, at Caritas Residence, Halifax. Sr. Pedersen grew up in Sweden and moved to Canada in 1945, where she began work with the Consulate General of Sweden in Montreal. She entered the Society of the Sacred Heart in Albany, N.Y. In 1948, and over many years, Sr. Pedersen taught in Sacred Heart Schools across Canada: Le Sault au Récollet and the City House in Montreal, Vancouver, Winnipeg and Halifax. Along with teaching, she had a long apostolate in Montreal and Watertown, ON, counseling individuals, couples and companies through her work with *Personnalité et Relations Humaines*, a worldwide organization for personal growth.

Sr. Shelley Lawrence, RSCJ

On May 29th, 2023, Sr. Shelley Lawrence, RSCJ died peacefully at Elisabeth Bruyère Hospital in Ottawa. Shelley Lawrence, RSCJ was born in 1950 in Halifax, NS, and entered the Society of the Sacred Heart in Boston, MA, in 1980. Over many years, Sr. Lawrence was involved in education, first as a teacher in Winnipeg, MB, and then as a high school chaplain for 25 years in the Ottawa Catholic School Board. At the time of her death, she was serving as an elected Trustee to the Ottawa Catholic School Board.



ALUM NEWS

Deliah Battis '63 Mestre

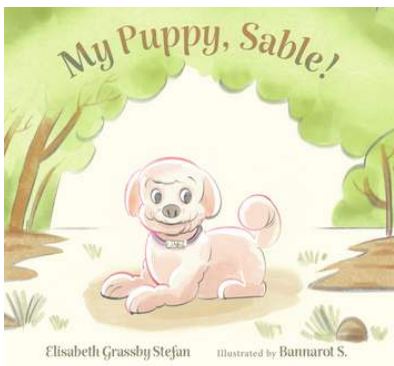
Deliah (DeeDee) Battis '63 Mestre, having worked in tourism in Ireland for the last 20 years, is now happily retired and "it's about time!" Thinking back fondly on her days as a boarding student at the City House from 1959-1963, Deliah shares that she stayed an extra year to do the Senior Matriculation year and was part of the first class to do so. "Time flies as we all get on with our lives... I'm 76 and Sacred Heart doesn't seem all that long ago. Have so many happy memories and I'll never forget Mother Johnson... She really helped and influenced me when I was a teenager." Deliah worked as a Registered Nurse in Montreal and traveled and worked as a nurse in different countries. She lived in France, married and has two daughters, with her wonderful 9-year-old grandson now living close by in Cork, Ireland. DeeDee would love to reconnect with her former school friends.

Anne Turley '83

On May 4th, **Anne Turley '83** was appointed a Justice of the Federal Court. Prior to her appointment, Anne was Senior General Counsel with the Department of Justice in Ottawa. During her 30-year career as a civil litigator, she appeared before all levels of courts, administrative tribunals, and commissions of inquiry. One of the highlights of Anne's career was as lead counsel for the Government of Canada before the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls. She was an active contributor to legal education & mentoring in the Department of Justice and the wider legal community. In 2009, she founded an ongoing initiative within the Department to support, develop, and mentor women litigators. Anne was a director of The Advocates' Society, an advocacy advisor with the Supreme Court Advocacy Institute, and a member of the Canadian Institute for Advanced Legal Studies. In October 2021, she was inducted as a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. Together with her husband, Anne is the very proud parent of two adult daughters, one living on each coast. Congratulations, Anne!

Elisabeth Grassby '90 Stefan

Congratulations to **Elisabeth Grassby '90 Stefan**, who has just released her new children's book, **My Puppy, Sable!**, a children's book highlighting overcoming a fear that every parent and child can relate to. This delightful rhyming book is perfect for all children especially those who get scared now and then. Elisabeth is a professional voice actor and writer. She worked in the children's television industry for many years. She is now the host of Story Time with LizBiz Kids, which showcases children's books in a fun, kid-friendly segment on YouTube.



Elisabeth was afraid of dogs for a long time. Her children kept asking for one, so she finally gave in - discovering that she loved their new pet! Elisabeth lives in Toronto with her husband and three children and of course their dog, Sable!

My Puppy, Sable! is available for order from most major online book retailers, including Chapters/Indigo, Amazon, and the FriesenPress Bookstore. The eBook is available for the Amazon Kindle, Chapters/Indigo's Kobo, Barnes and Noble's Nook, and on the iTunes bookstore and the Google Play store.

Julie Hanna '09

Congratulations to **Julie Hanna '09** who was called to the Québec Bar in January 2023. Julie has been practicing law as a corporate and commercial lawyer at the law firm Hanna Légal | Law in Montréal. She has a Bachelor's degree in Civil Law from Université de Montréal and a Bachelor of Commerce with a major in marketing from Concordia University's John Molson School of Business. Feel free to connect with Julie on Instagram @hannalaw_ and on LinkedIn.



ALUM NEWS

2016 corner!



Rosemarie Cianci '16

After completing her Bachelors of Science at McGill University, registered dietician Rosemarie Cianci '16 decided to pursue her studies at the Masters level at New York University, completing her degree in May! Congratulations to Rosemarie on her graduation, as well as her new position within the Montreal Children's Hospital's pediatric diabetes department, where she conducts teaching sessions with newly diagnosed children and their families to help them navigate the nutritional side of Type 1 Diabetes. Rosemarie is passionate about helping people have a healthy relationship with food and find balance in their eating habits, which is why she continues to also work part-time at OpenSpace Clinic in Westmount to address her clients' specific needs and make nutrition easy for them!

Patricia Danielidis '16

Congratulations to Patricia Danielidis '16, who won, for the second year in a row, the chance to participate in the prestigious MusicFest Canada Young Conductor Residency! Only two undergraduate conductors are chosen from across the country to participate in the program, this year in Niagara Falls from May 15th-20th.

The residency involved a week of observation and discussion with Gillian MacKay, professor at the University of Toronto, and Mark Hopkins, professor at Acadia University, and 3 opportunities to conduct the group throughout the week. Says Patricia, "It was a great experience learning from some of Canada's finest pedagogues in the biggest music festival in the country!"

Patricia also had the opportunity to conduct the Orchestre à Vents Non-Identifiés (OVNI), one of the biggest wind orchestras in the city, in their final concert of the year! Conducting "Across the Stars" from the Star Wars repertoire "was one of the most fulfilling experiences in my conducting career, pushing my limits beyond what I thought I was capable of," enthuses Patricia.



Elana Floriani '16 & Alexa Scalia '16

Congratulations to new doctors Elana Floriani '16 and Alexa Scalia '16 on their graduation from the optometry program at Université de Montréal, one of only two optometry schools in all of Canada! Friends since elementary school at École Bilingue Notre Dame de Sion through their time at Sacred Heart, the two alums reconnected and grew even more inseparable over their 5-year doctorate program. Elana and Alexa celebrated their prom on June 10th and will be receiving their diplomas on August 19th, though they have already begun work as optometrists at various clinics across the city.



ALUM DONORS

1946

Audrey Williams

1948

Elizabeth Jean O'Brien

1949

Rosemary Colford

1951

Joan McAsey
Nan Carlin

1955

Lorette Diab Noble

1956

Mary Burke Marilley
Diana Wilkins Bell

1959

Eleanor Hynes

1960

Susan O'Reilly

1962

Beatrix Wanke Ingram

1963

Jane Howson Wilson
Ann McCoy Hucker
Sylvia Martin Laforge

1965

Jeanne Gould

1966

Beatrice Keleher Raffoul
Kathleen Hurley

1967

Patricia Brown
Maureen Elliott (Vancouver)
Christiane de Sainte Marie

1968

Christine Lengvari

1970

Andréa Maria Laizner

1971

Louise Bourke
Ruta Danaitis
Andrea De Gosztanyi
Linda Hammerschmid
Karin Katz
Eileen Kennedy McMahon

Sarah Maloney
Claudia Morrow

1972

Denise Arbesu
Maureen Burke
Monique Gradek
Mary Louise Hibbeln
Susan Jessop
Christianne Laizner
Anne-Marie Leclipteux
Diane Lussier
Lise Anne Rocheleau
Virginia Rosales
Suzanne Savoy
Alexandra Slawek

1973

Katherine Brown
Renée Chipman

1974

Marie Senecal-Tremblay

1975

Monique McCracken

1976

Linda Ryan

1977

Margot Almond
Joanne Beaudoin
Jennifer Donolo
Susan Nucci
Jill Prescesky
Cristiane Tinmouth
Sofia Tseretzoulis

1978

Martha Robinson
Rosemary Vaupshas

1980

Maureen Brown
Stephanie De Leonardis
Jennifer Morrin

1981

Marina Boulos
Ann Carson
Robin Sky
Gwendolyn Yip

1982

Christine Hyde
Julie-Ann Barna
Deborah Lunny
Anne Marie Marilley Johns
Janice Nesmith
Esther Rouleau
Jackie Rourke
Elizabeth Shamie
Patricia Sullivan
Antoinette Von Hahn
Christine Xavier

1983

Susan Klucinskas
Anna Romano

1985

Sarah Davey
Tara Durley
Jacqueline McClure
Angela Ones

1986

Stacey Nesmith
Tania Tretiak

1988

Monique Thirlwell

1990

Sofia Muzzo
Stephanie Taylor

1991

Mary-Ann Advincula
Ayanna Ferdinand Catlyn
Caterina Gasparrini

1992

Isabel Brinck
Sophia Iannantuono
Nikoleta Karamanos
Marisa Leblanc
Katya Minicucci
Jill Sladen

1993

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*Sacred Heart Alumnae
September Tea*

*Please join us in the Parlour for a cup
of tea and refreshments*

*A lovely opportunity to catch up with fellow
alumnae & visit the School on*

Saturday, September 30th at 2:00 PM

*Please RSVP by September 23rd, 2023 at
(514) 937-2845 ext 108 or alumnae@sacredheart.qc.ca*

**A special invitation to all anniversary years
ending in "3" & "8" - and of course to our
Jubilarians, class of 1973!**



Oct. 20th, 2023
Doors open 5:30 PM
Cocktails at 6:00 PM

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