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# Ontario Maryknollers

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## Letter from the President

-Angela Chan-

Dear Fellow Maryknollers,

It is really a great honour for me to be re-elected as President of the Maryknoll Convent Former Students (Ont.) Inc. It is only with your encouragement and support from the executive committee that I have no hesitation to take up this position. Thank you for having faith in me. Let me assure you that you are well represented by a group of very dedicated ladies who are full of new ideas and are ready to implement them immediately.

We have had our first committee meeting and I would like to share with you our goals for the millennium. Our major task is to update our mailing list and to have a membership drive. We need your help desperately in order to be successful in this endeavour. Our plan is to enclose a membership form to you together with our newsletter. Please pass it on to any Maryknoller (anyone who has ever studied at MCS, be it one year or more) who shows interest to become a member. At the same time, we will make use of the name list from the 3rd World Wide Reunion and send a newsletter and application form to every Maryknoller in Ontario, hoping that we can reach as many former students as possible. If you have moved, please notify us of any change of

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**Your New Committee**

Front row (from left to right)  
Vanessa, Angela, Katherine, Winnie

Back row (from left to right)  
Petrina, Shirley, Amy, Gertrude, Kitty

Absent: Ludia & Patricia

address and return the form to us as soon as possible. Your co-operation is much appreciated in this area.

Other highlights include setting up a home webpage, and a joint alumni fundraising gala to be held in early April 2000. The proceeds from this event will go towards the Maryknoll Sisters' Centre. Any member who is interested in helping out with the fundraising, please try to attend the ad hoc meeting on June 18, 1999, Friday. The committee is also planning an outing in September and a Bingo party in November. You will be informed of the details as we get closer to the dates. I hope you feel as excited as we are over the activities which will take place soon.

Finally, I would like to make a request and that is your participation in the activities that we organize for you. This is the best way to show us that you appreciate and approve of what we are doing. Your show of support, the true Maryknoll spirit, is what our committee needs to carry on with our work. Thank you once again.

God bless you and have a safe and happy summer.

Yours truly,  
Angela Chan



## Gossips and News



Marie Louise Chang became the proud grandmother for the first time in April when Baby James Christopher Condon was born, a healthy 7.5 lbs.

Maria Britto Szumal ('57) passed away earlier 1999 in Texas, U.S., after suffering from cancer for the past few years. She managed to make the trip to Toronto for the 3rd World Wide Reunion in August 1998, and had a great time with a number of her friends for the last time! She had to

use a cane when she walked, but her spirit was up till the very end. Our deepest sympathy and condolences go to her family.



## Annual General Meeting Report - Katherine King

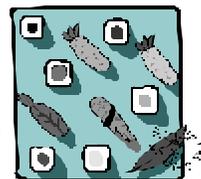
The 11th Annual General Meeting was held on April 30, 1999 at Kikuri Restaurant in Scarborough. Forty members and two non-members attended this function.

The evening started off with a welcome speech by our President, Angela Chan, followed by our Treasurer, Winnie Wong's report. The financial state of our association remains healthy and balanced.

The eleven nominees were then introduced and were unanimously elected. They are:

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| Angela Chan    | Katherine King | Petrina Louey  |
| Gertrude Chan  | Kitty Law Lam  | Winnie Wong    |
| Shirley Cheong | Vanessa Li     | Patricia Ho Wu |
| Ludia Fong     | Amy Lo         |                |

Dinner was served, and like previous year, we had lots of food and excellent company. One of our alumni was very generous to buy us the first round of drinks. Thanks to Trevina Cheng!!



On behalf of the out-going committee members, I would like to thank all members who attended this event and also wish the newly elected members utmost success for the coming two years. Good luck!!

The evening ended with the sweet sound of karaoke.



Once every two years, the MCS and MSS alumnae join together to host a fundraising dinner for the benefit of the aging Maryknoll Sisters who gave so much to the students of the two schools in Hong Kong. The event for 1998 was postponed

## Joint Alumnae Fundraising



because of the 3rd WWR. The party had been planned for 1999, but due to all the Millennium celebrations, most suitable venues are unavailable, so the date has now been deferred to April 2000.

An ad hoc committee has planned to meet on June 18, '99, Friday. If any member is

interested to join the committee, please call Angela Chan (416) 733-1428 to let her know by June 14. The place to meet is: Legend Chinese Restaurant, 5 Glen Cameron Rd., Unit 8-9, Thornhill, and the time is 7 p.m.

## News About Maryknoll Sisters

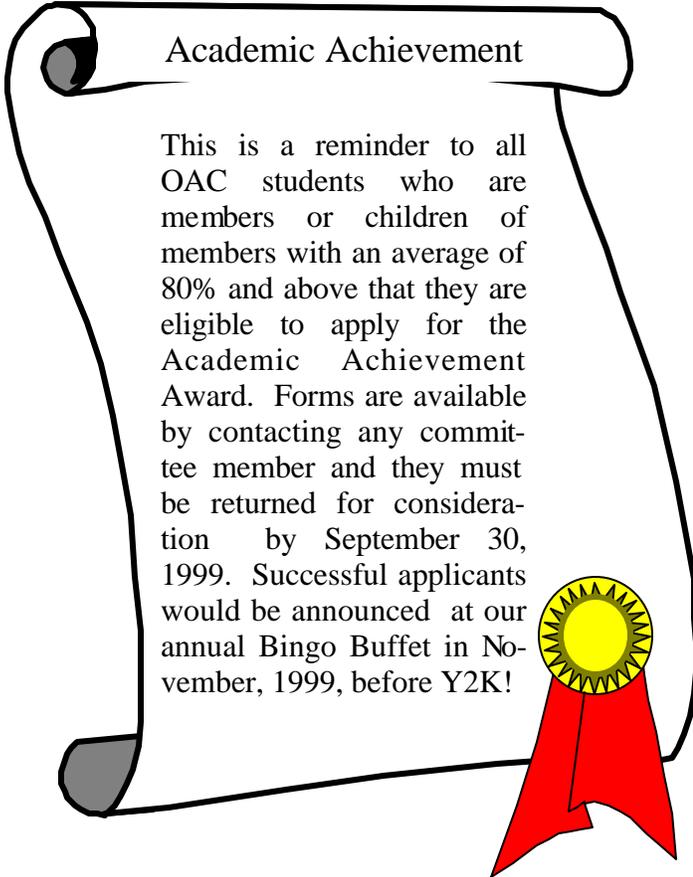
The Maryknoll Sisters have produced a video, titled *'The Field Afar'*, featuring the Sisters around the world carrying on their mission work. Anyone who would like to have a copy to keep, please call any committee member and we would arrange delivery for you. Sr. Rose Duchesne wrote:

“Perhaps you already know this title was first used as the name for the Maryknoll Magazine. Today ‘The Field Afar’ is the name for a set of thirteen videos in which lay people, brothers, sisters and priests tell their stories about living in new cultures away from their native homes. So, if you’d like to experience praying with Buddhist monks in Thailand, rescuing homeless children from the streets of Lima, Peru, helping land mine victims in Cambodia, comforting Aids patients in Nairobi, Kenya, or going to any one of the other scenes features in the videos, go give yourself an evening to view ‘The Field Afar.’

‘The Field Afar’ is more than a documentary series. Viewers join missionaries on an adventure – to discover God in other lands and cultures. While remaining true to their own faith, these priests, brothers, sisters and lay missionaries walk new paths and form close friendships with people in different countries.

The last episode is about the founders of Maryknoll. In 1911, Maryknoll priests and sisters landed in China and began spreading the gospel. Later some sisters went to Hong Kong and established our Alma Maters, MCS and MSS. Sister Virginia Flagg (formerly Sr. Stella Marie) narrated in this tape. Glad to see her looking so well even though she has had a few minor strokes. Also we see Sr. Helene O’Sullivan, a former MSS teacher, now the Sister President.

These video tapes are inspiring and entertaining. We learn a great deal about people living in the Third World.”



# Welcome to our new members:

We are happy to announce that 3 more members have joined our alumni. They are:

Barbara Baptista (63)

Anna Li Chan (74)

Kitty Cheong (76)

We are always eager to recruit new members to join in our fun and activities and camaraderie

If you know anyone who has been at MCS for a year or more and would like to join our association, please give us a call and we would be more than happy to send him/her an application form. We are working on our web site and hopefully it would be up and running in September 1999. By then, we can have on-line registration and our whole process would be much more efficiently carried out.

## Are You Moving or I have You Moved?

**If you wish to receive your copy of our newsletter after you've moved, please fill out the change of address notification form below and mail or fax to :**

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| Year of Form 5 _____   | Year Left Maryknoll _____ |                   |
| Please change my address effective on (day) _____ / (month) _____ / (year) _____ |                           |                   |
| NEW ADDRESS IS:  |                           |                   |
| Street No. _____   | Street Name _____         |                   |
| Apt. No. _____   | City _____                | Postal Code _____ |
| New Home Phone No. _____   | Work Phone No. _____      |                   |
| Cell Phone No. _____   |                           |                   |
| Signature _____  | Date _____                |                   |