

ALUMNAE NEWS



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JANUARY, The first month of the year, A perfect time to start all over again, Changing energies and deserting old moods, New beginnings, new attitudes.

- Charmaine J. Forde

Happy New Year one and all! Can you believe the new incoming class will graduate in 2026! Where does time go?

CHRISTMAS IN JANUARY

Fontbonne brought in the new year at school with the long-awaited celebration of the "12 Days of Christmas" in conjunction with a throwback fundraiser, PJ's for PJ...Campus was filled with a joyful noise with the singing of this long-time tradition, not in the gym, but outside in the courtyard. That frenzied, joyful, singing is a tradition at FH for many years and the seniors are our 5 Golden rings...



CLICK HERE TO WATCH!

ALUMNAE EMERITAE SOCIETY INDUCTEES

We would like to congratulate the Class of 1962 on their inauguration into the **Alumnae Emeritae Society**. They will be celebrating their 60th Anniversary of graduating from Fontbonne Hall...Ladies, does it feel that long?

Visit our <u>website</u> to see the full listing of classes and the names of the newest members. Here are two Emeritae, Marietta and Barbara, enjoying lunch together in Florida.



NEW WEBSITE COMING SOON

Watch for our new iteration of the website. It will feature alumnae this goround. It should be ready by next week!



HELP FONTBONNE THRIVE

So how do you connect with Fontbonne? Many of you often ask how Fonbonne is really doing...we are well, thank you!... and what you can do to ensure the future of Fontbonne Hall. So since you asked...here are some ideas for new engagement, and as Charmaine Forde suggests, new energy, new attitudes:



- BE AN AMBASSADOR! Recommend Fontbonne to bright, promising young girls. Better yet - bring them to an admissions event. The next generation of Bonnies is all around us, and YOU are in a unique position to help us identify them. Call Stephanie Douglas, Assistant, Principal for Student Life, for more information on admissions. 718-748-2244 x1115
- TELL YOUR FONTBONNE STORY! Fontbonne provided you
 with an exemplary education, provided you with friends of a
 lifetime, the foundation for a fantastic career path, or any of a
 dozen other benefits; be sure to tell others. Share your stories
 with us as well. The Alumnae Office is always happy to receive
 an email or phone call from our alumnae. We will feature your
 story in our annual magazine, in marketing materials, or on our
 website.
- ENGAGE OR RE-ENGAGE WITH FONTBONNE! We hope you attend alumnae events held throughout the year and the annual Alumnae Reunion in the Fall with your classmates. Have an idea for an interesting event? Contact the Institutional Advancement office (miles@fontbonne.org or musto@fontbonne.org) Let us know! We are always willing to hear your ideas and help host a creative and fun event with alumnae and friends. Stay updated: https://www.fontbonne.org/alumnae/stay-connected
- BE A GUEST SPEAKER! There are a number of opportunities to engage with our current students. We celebrate International Women's Day on March 8th this year and would love to have you. Contact musto@fontbonne.org if you are interested in having more information. You can also help be a judge in the WISER Symposium which is a virtual science presentation across all science disciplines by our students. Let us know if you are available to be a guest speaker to a class ...share your unique and special experience with our students; show them the power of sisterhood.

- PROMOTE US! Include mentions of Fontbonne in your company or local media stories about you. Got a promotion? Mention that you went to Fontbonne. Elected to office? Include Fontbonne in your bio. A wedding in your future...cite Fontbonne as your alma mater in your announcement.
- HELP FONTBONNE THRIVE! Participating in one or more of these ideas will help Fontbonne thrive. If we could make one more suggestion...it would be to donate generously. Too many girls' catholic schools are struggling, have gone coed, or closed altogether. Fontbonne is blessed that we are not facing the problems of other girls' schools. That said, we witness continuing rising expenses each year associated with providing an exceptional high school education and we know some of our students and their families are struggling to pay their tuition.

SUPPORT US HERE

If you are already a donor, thank you! No gift is too small or for that matter, too large to Fontbonne. If you will be increasing your gift this year, we thank you. If you are giving for the first time, know how appreciative we are. Most of all, knowing that you are proud of your alma mater and eager to connect with us is the greatest evidence of the transformative power of a Fontbonne education and experience.

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Maxim of the Month

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Be in service to the dear neighbor without reward. Love's Design has its own reward!

..until next time!



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