The 2002 Wansboro Recipient

Since 1972, the Alumnae Association has presented the Wansboro Award to someone who exemplifies confidence and trust in the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This year's recipient, Rosemary Hall Henshaw manifests this spirit every day as she touches the lives of others with her unique personality and love.

She has dedicated her life to the service of others. As a member of the Christ Child Society, she volunteered weekly at the Clothes Closet. When one of her dear friends died of cancer and left four children, Rosie moved into the home to care for the children and soften the shock of their mother's death. She faces trials in life with a deep faith and courage that is an example for all. She has an uncarny ability to see the best in everyone.



Rosemary Hall Henshaw³⁵

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A member of the class of 1935, Rosie's love for the Religious of the Sacred Heart and the Academy dates back to her school days at Lawrence Avenue. She played a large role in moving the school and the sisters to the "House Built On Confidence" in Bloonfield Hills. She cooked meals daily for the sisters during this process. Rosie was Reverend Mother Wansboro's audience in the parlor when she delivered a speech, via telephone, to a group of potential donors assembled at the DAC. Rosie maintained her close bond with Katherine Wansboro, Rosci even when she was in retirement at Kenwood in Albany, New York. When living in Milwaukee, Rosie became president of the Sacred Heart Alumnae Association there. At the age of eighty-five, she continues her love for all that is part of the Sacred Heart Tradition. She is hoping to start a Sacred Heart Alumnae Chapter in her current community of Westlake Village, California. Rosie declares,

"Nothing has meant as much to me as the Sacred Heart family. Time nor distance can never change what we all mean to each other."

Rosie and her late husband, George, had three daughters - Deborah⁵⁹, Molly⁶⁶ and Georgeanne. Today the family includes six grandchildren and one great-grandchild. While raising her family, Rosie lovingly and steadfastly demonstrated her trust and confidence in the Sacred Heart of Jesus and saw her father, her mother, and then her husband embrace her Roman Catholic faith.

In this the sesquicentennial year of our school, the Alumnae Association of Bloomfield Hills thanks Rosemary Henshaw for her devotion and love to the Sacred Heart family and is proud to present the 2002 Wansboro Award to a personal and dear friend of Katherine Wansboro, RSCI.

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