



June 2024

Dear *{{First Name}}*

"Summertime, and the livin' is easy!" Well, maybe not easy, but certainly a change of pace for our students—and faculty!—at Mother Seton. The Class of 2024, all 21 strong, graduated on June 2nd at the Basilica, and the last day of school for the rest of our students was June 6th. So now the summer stretches ahead of them with a welcome break from their hard work in all areas, academics, service and extra curriculars.

Thanks to the many alumni who returned to enjoy and/or volunteer at the annual Carnival. It was a huge success and you helped make it one!

If you'd like to find out why lies ahead for our most recent class of high school alums, the **MSS Class of 2020**, [click here](#). They have exciting plans for the future!

Kate Marshall, MSS 1969

Congratulations MSS Class of 2024!

(Front row l-r) Ava McKenzie, Lia Lowry, Mya Harrington, Noah Riling, Thi Pham
(2nd row) Peyton Myles, Eva Doll, Sandro Santos, Dylan Slusher, Catalina Caretti, Micah Green, Gabriel Valerio (3rd row) Ella Thompson, Madelyn Fogle, Evelyn Figorski, Grady Abruzzese, Moira Tayler, Everett Abbott, Michael Gallagher, Mawson Welterlen, and Sophia Perez

Welcome to the MSS Alumni Family!



If our newest class of graduates needs to be inspired, they need only look at some of our young alums who are making their mark on the world, both in their further studies and in the workplace. It's great to share their accomplishments!

Savannah Soter - Class of 2011



Savannah currently works at Sesame Workshop as the Program Coordinator for Ahlan Simsim, the Arabic-language show and humanitarian initiative that aims to address the devastating impacts of crisis and displacement by delivering early learning to children and caregivers in the Middle East. She holds a B.A. in International Studies and Arab World Studies from American University (2019) and is driven by her passion for learning that started at MSS. She now lives in Brooklyn, NY and continues to study Arabic in her free time.

Quinn Alley - Class of 2016



Quinn recently graduated Cum Laude from George Mason University's Honors College with a BS in Kinesiology while Captaining the Ice Hockey team to a 21-10 record. He was recognized at graduation with his Honors College Medallion and Chords for Graduating with Honors (Yellow), Peer Mentor (White), and Contemporary Student (Blue and White). He has also been recognized as an Academic All-American.

Quinn has been accepted into the George Mason University Masters program for Athletic Training with classes starting Monday and will continue as the Captain of the Ice Hockey team for the 2024-2025 season. Good luck with your Masters studies, Quinn!

Emma and Sarah Simmons - Class of 2023



Emma and Sarah, currently rising sophomores being homeschooled, were recently named the Grand Champions 2024 in the Pennsylvania Governor's STEM Competition in Harrisburg. What did they design? A working biomedical prototype that measures pulmonary functions and streams the live data to physicians during telemedicine visits. This prototype has the potential to broaden access to healthcare, especially for those who have the least access to health care, due to disabilities or transportation and financial issues. Emma and Sarah are currently working on obtaining a patent for their device. Impressive work, Emma and Sarah!

Larisa Tayler - Class of 2017



Larisa received an award in May for having the highest GPA of a Transfer Student in the Senior class at Central Connecticut State University - 3.9875. She is in a five-year program and will receive her Bachelor's in Exercise Science in May of 2025 and her Master's in Athletic Training in May 2026.

Elena Crutchfield - Class of 2021

Elena Crutchfield has been busy studying and creating artwork that has garnered recognition and awards. Elena, a rising senior at Barbara Ingram School for the Arts, a magnet school in Hagerstown for students gifted in the arts, also participates in the BISFA spring musicals, working backstage. She was awarded the gold for sculpture for her work "Growing Minds" in the Maryland Division of the National Scholastic Art Contest. In addition, her ceramic pieces "Vase #1" and "Teapot" were finalists in the Capital Women's Care Art Contest. You may also have seen her piece "Skull and Butterflies" which graced the cover of Hagerstown's Hedge Apple magazine recently. Her creativity and skill are inspiring!



We prayerfully remember the following



Linda Seidel Adelsberger (MSS 1967)

Linda Seidel Adelsberger (MSS 1967), died on February 17, 2024. Linda attended Mother Seton along with her 8 siblings, Judy Dick (MSS 1964), Barb Gscheidel (MSS 1968), Robert (MSS 1969), Edward (MSS 1970), Mary Bradford (MSS 1973), Theresa Wyatt (MSS 1974), Carol Seipler (MSS 1976) and Francis Seidel (MSS 1980)

She is survived by her husband Ken Adelsberger (MSS 1967), and predeceased by her brother Richard (MSS 1973)



Wanda Warthen Akiyama (MSS 1971)

Wanda Warthen-Akiyama (MSS 1971) passed away on May 4, 2024, in Virginia Beach, VA. In addition to being an alumna, she also taught at Mother Seton School in the primary unit from 1979-1982.

Wanda is survived by her husband and two daughters as well as three siblings, Denise, Robert (MSS 1980), and Daniel (MSS 1983).



Mary Kate Williams Commiskey (MSS 1975)

Mary Kate Williams Commiskey (MSS 1975) died on June 10, 2024, at home in Phoenixville, PA.

In addition to her husband and three sons, Kate is survived by her siblings Anne, Mark (MSS 1974), Sarah (MSS 1977), Elizabeth, and Megan (MSS 1992). She was predeceased by her brother Chad.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. ~ Amen ~