

### CLASS of 1965 MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE

September 30, 2025

Warmest Greetings, Classmates!

I hope that all goes well with you.

This is it. The WRAP-UP of our 60<sup>th</sup> Reunion Class Board's five years in office, performing business tasks collegially, efficiently, and, most importantly, joyfully and providing opportunity for classmates to keep in touch with each other and to enjoy who we now are.

Top of '65's connectednesss events was our 60<sup>th</sup> "Diamond Jubilee" Reunion May 23-25, 2025! Sixty of us attended, with fourteen bringing guests. Our final Reunion Booklet was picked up by classmates attending Reunion and has been sent to the rest of us. At Reunion, we talked; we ate; we reminisced; we enjoyed the campus; we learned about the state of education and Mount Holyoke's path forward and challenges; we discussed our book read; and we remembered fondly classmates no longer with us.

And then there were all our other wonderful encounters:

- On-Campus Mini- Reunion
- 14 Zoom Mini-Reunions, with classmates presenting at each one
- 11 Zoom Social Get-togethers
- Class Group Zoom Meetings
- Our updated "One-Stop Shopping" Website: www.mhc65.com
- Alumnae Quarterly Notes
- 6 President's Letters including this one
- Birthday Greetings to classmates (every other year)

As a class, we hold each other close even in death, with ongoing lists, Website Postings, Times of Remembrance at Reunions, Board "In Memoriam" Time, and, in keeping with tradition, as Class President, my writing 21 sympathy notes to our deceased's closest relative.

The class has successsfully transitioned to a new Treasury Management System, one of the first classes to do so. As part of this process, we adopted new governing/working documents and have in place a smooth transition to Loyalty Class status which begins by 2030, our 65<sup>th</sup> Reunion year. What this means is that for the 65th Reunion and forward, the Alum Association will do the Reunion Planning and will bear all associated costs excluding travel, companions, etc.

The Class of 1965's level of support for Mount Holyoke is legendary. We have had amazing development results—thanks to Head Class Agents, Agents, Mary Lyon Society Chairs, and, above all, wonderful YOU!

### Fiscal 2025 (year ended June 30th)

The Mount Holyoke Fund:

Participation:
Five-year Cumulative Total:
60-year Cumulative Total
\$ 415,989
(second highest Fiscal 2025; in the 70s all five years.)
\$ 6,320,832
(ALL gifts to all funds this five-year Reunion cycle)
c. \$30,000,000
(ALL gifts to all funds)

Laurel Chain Society Members:
 191 (recurring annual givers)

- Cornerstone Society Members 60 (annual givers of \$1,837 or more)

- Mary Lyon Society Members: 51 (makers of bequests, other deferred gifts)

Our Nominating Committee produced stellar candidates for the 65<sup>th</sup> Reunion Slate, 2025, and helped with the nomination of Mary Lyon Society Chairs and classmates to fill any Board/Committee vacancies during the 2020-2025 period. We congratulate and wish much success to our 65<sup>th</sup> Reunion President, Roberta Aber, and her fine Board whose term of office began July 1, 2025.

This 60<sup>th</sup> Reunion Class Board was marvelous—knowledgeable, hardworking, responsible, responsive, dedicated, and fun. Beginning October 2020, there were monthly Zoom Board Meetings (53), except in August, and multiple Zoom Committee meetings.

The 60<sup>th</sup> Reunion Five Year Plan and Board List are attached, as is the elected slate of 65<sup>th</sup> Reunion Board Members.

As you know, my mantra for our class is the JOY OF CLASSMATING. "Classmating" is a noun of the eighteenth century, first used by John Adams, and, like us, has a rare and uncommon definition: *The Act and Process of Befriending Classmates*. Time is precious as we know. Let us continue to relish, cherish, and treasure our time together, enjoying our friendships, old and new.

The Class of 1965 is the best!

Thank you for this opportunity to work with you and on your behalf.

Best wishes,

Dotsy

Dorothy B. Derick President, 60<sup>th</sup> Reunion Class



### MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE CLASS of 1965 60th REUNION CLASS

### <u>FIVE-YEAR PLAN</u> <u>2020 – 2025</u> (Year Five)

To foster and promote communication and interaction among classmates and appreciation for each other and for role of Mount Holyoke College in our lives:

Zoom Mini-Reunions (February of 2021 – February of 2025)

Second Saturday of February, May, August, and November

12 o'clock noon EST/EDT to draw worldwide audiences

Presenters - Classmates

Full biography and Picture and Mount Holyoke giving acknowledgement, if appropriate

Zoom and Other Social Hours (March of 2021 – March of 2025)

Third Sunday of March and September

4:00 p.m. EST/EDT

In-person Mini-Reunion: April 2024

Reunion 2025 on Mount Holyoke Campus (health environment permitting) with Zoom component and Financial Aid available.

### Other:

Updated, more user-friendly, more pertinent Website (roll -out January 2021)

President's Letter

E-mail Blasts

**Quarterly Class Notes** 

Regional Zoom Get-together Facilitation

**Class Connect Committee** 

Nominating Committee - Broadened Outreach

Birthday Greetings (once every other year)

# MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE CLASS of 1965 60<sup>th</sup> REUNION CLASS FIVE-YEAR PLAN 2020 – 2025, continued—2

To encourage and facilitate giving of time, talent, and treasure to College.

Time and Talent through volunteer roles and participatory activities.

**Board Positions** 

Class Agents

Mini-Reunion Leaders

### Treasure through optimal personal financial contribution to College:

Annual Goals (Board approved)

Class Member Participation 75% (Fiscal 2021-2025)

through donor-appropriate donation vehicle(s)

The Mount Holyoke Fund Open (Fiscal 2025)

(goal determined in consultation with Development Office) \$250,000 (Fiscal 2023 & 2024) Fiscal Year ends June 30th \$256,000 (Fiscal 2021 & 2022)

No Five-Year Goal; Five-year Wrap-up of Results including legacy gift credit

Class Agent Individual Outreach

Identification/Cultivation/Solicitation/Appreciation/Stewardship

Collaboration/Cooperation with Development Office

Semi-annual E-mail Blasts

(May and November, with summer/year-end holiday greetings respectively)

Mini-Reunion Recognition of Goals/ Presenter /Giving, when and as appropriate.

Class Connect Committee

Website Link - How to Donate (with three underlying links - Donation Options/ Donations Donor Stories)

### **Giving Options**

The Mount Holyoke Fund

Individual Recognition

The Laurel Chain Society (three years consecutive annual giving)

The Cornerstone Society (annual gift of \$1,837.00 or more)

Endowment/Capital Giving (possible naming opportunity)

Legacy (Deferred/Planned Giving) (Memorial Gifts)(target 55<sup>th</sup> Reunion class + )

Individual Recognition: The Mary Lyon Society (agents appreciation/stewardship)



## MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE CLASS of 1965 60th REUNION CLASS

### **MINI-REUNIONS AND SOCIALS**

### 2020 - 2025

### **MINI-REUNIONS (ZOOM)**

February of 2021 – February of 2025 Second Saturday of February, May, August, and November, 12 o'clock noon EST/EDT

February 13, 2021	Laughter Yoga	Meg Herz Harlor
May 8, 2021	Frances Perkins, The Only Woman in the Room	Meg Conkey Judy Burger-Gossart
August 14, 2021	The Last Pilgrim	Noelle Parsons Granger
November 13, 2021	Food and Food Ways, Then and Now	Caroline Fuller Sloat
February 12, 2022	The United States Unaccompanied Refugee Minor Program	Sara Prozellar Hartman
May 14, 2022	Lost Fire Lookout Hikes and Histories Olympic Peninsula and Willapa Hills	Leslie Harris Romer
August 13, 2022	"The Peace Corps Experience"	Jane Adair, Beryl Kende, Margaret Fearey, Cathy Russell Hammond, Karen Rothmeyer
November 12, 2022	"My Sailing Life"	Julie Herrick

## MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE CLASS of 1965 60th REUNION CLASS

### MINI-REUNIONS AND SOCIALS, 2020 – 2025, continued—2

February of 2021 – February of 2025

Second Saturday of February, May, August, and November, 12 o'clock noon EST/EDT

March 4, 2023 Conversation with

Dr. Beverly Daniel Tatum,

Interim President of Mount Holyoke College, Moderated by Mary Graham Davis, C'65

May 13, 2023 "Make Mine Murder" Carole Bernstein Shmurak

August 12, 2023 Volunteer Medical Groups Amy Laden

Kristen Stueber

November 11, 2023 "The Future of a Liberal Arts Education"

Conversation with

Dr. Lynn C. Pasquerella, C'80

18th President of Mount Holyoke College 14th President of American Association of

Colleges and Universities

Moderated by Mary Graham Davis, C'65

February 10, 2024 "Taking Action; Inspiring Hope" Sally Williams Farrow

August 10, 2024 "You Will Arrive at Distinguished Usefulness" Mary Bremer Kelley

AT DISTINGUISHED USEFULNESS'

### N. B. Presentation replay link available for 30 days following mini-reunion.

# MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE CLASS of 1965 60<sup>th</sup> REUNION CLASS MINI-REUNIONS AND SOCIALS, 2020 – 2025, continued--3

### **SOCIALS (ZOOM)**

March of 2021 – March 2025

Third Sunday of March and September, 4:00 p.m. EST/EDT

March 21, 2021 Spring Social

September 19, 2021 Back to School Social

March 20, 2022 Spring Social

September 18, 2022 Back to School Social

February 12. 2023 Winter "Pre-Spring" Social September 17, 2023 MHC '65 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party

March 17, 2024 Spring Social

May 11, 2024 Pre-Summer Social (instead of Mini-Reunion; 12 o'clock noon EDT)

September 15, 2024 Autumn Social March 16, 2025 Spring Social

June 22,2025 Pre-Summer Social

## **MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE CLASS OF 1965**

## 60<sup>th</sup> REUNION CLASS

### <u> 2020 – 2025</u>

### **BOARD**

PRESIDENT DOROTHY "DOTSY" DERICK

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT SALLIE WRIGHT ABBAS

and REUNION CO-CHAIR

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT ELIZABETH "SUNNY" EATON STEADMAN

and REUNION CO-CHAIR

SECRETARY and SCRIBE MARGARET "MEG" CONKEY

SCRIBES JOANNE "JO" GRIFFITH DOMINGUE (2024-2025)

NANCY BOGGIE KUEHLER KATHARINE "KATHY" SWAN

TREASURER BEVERLY "BEV" BRAMAN HARRISON

ASSISTANT TREASURER MARTHA DOLKART BERNSTEIN

HEAD CLASS AGENTS JACQUELINE "JACKIE" BERKOWITZ

**SARA PROZELLER HARTMAN** 

SUSAN 'SUSIE' BEERS BETZER (2024-2025) CAROLINE FULLER SLOAT (2024-2025)

NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIR MARGARET "MEG" HERZ HARLOR

COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR DIANE "DI" HOWLAND McINTYRE (2025)

CHRISTINA "CHRIS" TREE (2020-2024)

VIDEO CONFERENCING COORDINATORS MARGARET "MONNIE" BELL

**BEVERLY "BEV" BRAMAN HARRISON** 

### **AFFILIATED CHAIRS**

MARY LYON SOCIETY CO-CHAIRS LAURA NIXDORF BERNSTEIN

BARBARA HOLTZ (2025)

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS CHAIR JUDITH "JUDY" SMITH PARTLOW

### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

CHAIR AND MEMBER MARGARET "MEG" HERZ HARLOR

VICE CHAIR AND MEMBER JANET FALIK ASERKOFF 2025 (2022-2025)

**DIANE "DI" HOWLAND McINTYRE (2020-2025)** 

MEMBERS CAROLINE FULLER SLOAT

KAREN BANG-JENSEN ZUMWALT

LYNN HAYDEN WADHAMS (2020-2022)

### **VOLUNTEER CLASS AGENTS**

SALLIE WRIGHT ABBAS, ROBERTA ABER, ELIZABETH DIPPEL ARCHAMBEAULT, JANET FALIK ASERKOFF, JAMESON ADKINS BAXTER, KAREN KELLY BECKER, MARTHA DOLKART BERNSTEIN, SUSAN BEERS BETZER (2020-2024), JUDITH BURGER-GOSSART, MARGARET CONKEY, JOANNE GRIFFITH DOMINGUE, PAMELA PANCZAK DOUGHERTY, ANN GINSBURG HOFKIN, MARY HOWE-GRANT, NANCY BOGGIE KUEHLER, SALLY CRICHTON LEWIS, DIANE HOWLAND MCINTYRE, ANNETTE BISCOMBE RAMIREZ DE ARELLANO, CAROLINE FULLER SLOAT (2020-2024), JUDITH PARTLOW SMITH, KRISTIN STUEBER, BONNIE PENNEY ULRICH, AND DEBORAH KLEIN WALKER.

#### **MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE CLASS OF 1965**

## 65<sup>th</sup> REUNION CLASS

**JULY 1, 2025 – JUNE 30, 2030** 

### **OFFICERS/BOARD MEMBERS**

PRESIDENT ROBERTA E. ABER

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT HELEN R. DESFOSSES

and REUNION CO-CHAIR

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT DIANNE MIDDLETON LEE

and REUNION CO-CHAIR

SECRETARY NOELLE PARSONS GRANGER

SCRIBES JOANNE "JO" GRIFFITH DOMINGUE

SARA PROZELLER HARTMAN (resigned June 2025)

KATHARINE "KATHY" SWAN

TREASURER BEVERLY "BEV" BRAMAN HARRISON

ASSISTANT TREASURER MARTHA DOLKART BERNSTEIN

HEAD CLASS AGENTS JACQUELINE "JACKIE" BERKOWITZ

**EBBA WIKANDER McART** 

WEBSITE COORDINATOR DIANE "DI" HOWLAND McINTYRE

VIDEO CONFERENCING COORDINATORS MARGARET "MONNIE" BELL

**BEVERLY "BEV" BRAMAN HARRISON** 

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS** 

(Members: 5)

MEMBERS ELIZABETH "BETSY" FISH GUARDENIER

**MARY BREMER KELLEY** 

**DEBORAH "DEBBIE" KLEIN WALKER** 

President names one of three elected members as chair and appoints two additional members. Chair serves, *ex officio*, as member of Board.

#### **AFFILIATED COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

MARY LYON SOCIETY CO-CHAIRS JAMISON "JAMIE" ADKINS BAXTER

SUSAN 'SUSIE' BEERS BETZER

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS CHAIR JUDITY "JUDY' SMITH PARTLOW