



The Blue & Gold

Three Outstanding Alumnae Inducted into Hall of Fame



Sr. Carroll '57 accepts her award from Sr. Mary Ann Culpert '75

On Wednesday, May 19, three outstanding alumnae were welcomed to the Notre Dame Academy Hall of Fame.

Dr. Suzanne Openlander Frankie '53 received the *Professional Achievement Award* for her outstanding national contributions to literacy in higher education, and for living the Notre Dame spirit by serving others with her personal and professional gifts.

Dr. Frankie had a distinguished 39-year career as a professional academic librarian. She received her doctoral degree in public administration in 1980 at George Washington University. Dr. Frankie spent ten years in Washington D.C. and served as the Associate Executive Director of the Association of Research Libraries.

True to the mission of forming young women for leadership and service, Dr. Frankie was active in the Birmingham Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW). She devoted special effort to the development and implementation of the

Explorathon Program, sponsored by AAUW. The program annually exposed over 700 young women grades 8 through 12 to a variety of speakers and activities to stimulate interest in scientific careers.

Sue is a devoted spouse to her husband of 48 years, Richard, particularly in the last several years as he has dealt with the debilitating effects of a stroke.

Accepting on Dr. Frankie's behalf was her niece, Mrs. Mary Alice Donofrio.

Dr. Catherine Kelly '77 received the *Christian Service Award* for the generous use of her professional skills to ease the pain and improve people's quality of life, particularly those in need.

She attended the University Of Toledo College Of Medicine and completed her medical training in Fayetteville, North Carolina. Dr. Kelly decided to remain in Fayetteville and open a practice to serve the needs of this small community and the surrounding rural areas. Her medical practice philosophy is that of service over production, taking the time to get to know her patients and to provide the best standard of care. With a staff of 15 other medical professionals who are mainly women, Dr. Kelly has set the standard and modeled genuine, compassionate care in an atmosphere of collaboration, medically sound practice and shared wisdom.

For the past 15 years, Dr. Kelly has volunteered her time and skills to attend to the needs of the working poor who otherwise would not have access to health care.

Her generosity extends beyond the realm of medicine. Discovering that one of her patients could not read, she began tutoring him on weekends.

Accepting the award on Dr. Kelly's behalf was her sister, **Molly Kelly Matthews '91.**

Sr. Mary Carroll Schemenauer '57 received the *Community Award* for her generous and exemplary service to religious education in the Diocese of Toledo, and for her 50 years of support for the mission of NDA. Sr. Carroll's first teaching assignment was here at NDA, where she taught English. In 1980, Sr. Carroll began a new ministry as Director of Religious Education at St. Wendelin Parish in Fostoria. Sister returned to NDA to serve as Alumnae Director in 1999. She especially loved supporting our alumnae in sickness or times of difficulty with visits, prayer and phone calls.

Sr. Carroll serves as the Pastoral Leader at St. Mary Parish in Wakeman, OH. Her most recent accomplishment there is the renovation and expansion of the Church and its rededication by the Most Reverend Bishop Leonard Blair in December 2009.

Sr. Mary Carroll's deep care and concern for people and passion for helping others grow in their faith are hallmarks of Sister's life.

Upcoming Alumnae Events

- *Alumnae Association Meeting: Wed., June 9, in Alumnae Hall, 5:30 -7 P.M.*
- *Summer Reunion: Sat., July 31, at Notre Dame Academy, 7 P.M., and Sun., August 1, in the Eagle's Nest Pavilion behind NDA, 12-2 P.M.*

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