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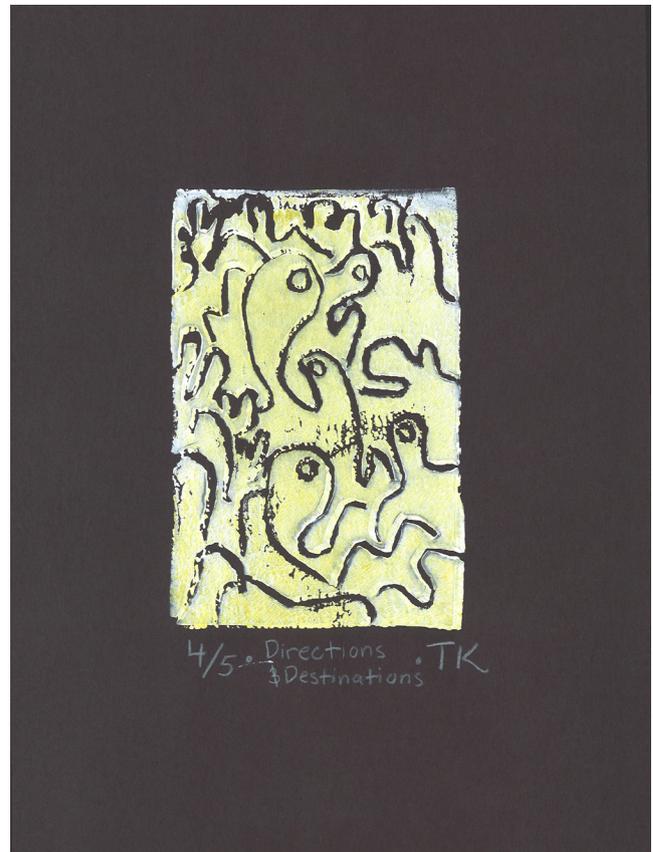
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The artwork on the front cover, created by Joi Bradley '19, and the artwork above, created by Tamara King '17, were part of a Street Art Symbols assignment for the Introduction to Art class. Students carved their design in a rubber block and then inked and printed them on paper. They began by drawing sketches and worked their way to the final prints. The goal was to create a personal symbol or design that could be used in an imaginary street-art context.

SUPPORTING STUDENT SUCCESS

JOSEPHINUM ACADEMY OF THE SACRED HEART HAS A LONG-STANDING TRADITION OF EXTENDING THE BOUNDARIES OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY TO THE YOUNG WOMEN OF CHICAGO.

Most recently, this is evident in Josephinum's decision to offer a wall-to-wall International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) to all of our students. As a result, we have built a rigorous and thought-provoking curriculum designed to meet the needs of diverse learners.

While Josephinum's decision to offer a wall-to-wall IBDP is exciting, it is clear that the success of such a program relies on the school's ability to effectively support each student as she engages in her challenging coursework. With this in mind, Josephinum has recently entered into a partnership with the Andrew M. Greeley Center for Catholic Education at Loyola University Chicago. Together, we will build a comprehensive Response to Intervention (RTI)

program and develop a systematic and multi-tiered approach to the early identification and strategic support of struggling students, while maintaining high expectations for student success.

The foundation of a strong RTI program is built upon high quality classroom instruction, and the effective monitoring of student learning inside the classroom. Strategic small group and individualized support structures will be developed and implemented for students who require extra attention.

An effective RTI program is designed to provide the best education possible for all students. We are excited about this endeavor and the opportunity to seamlessly support our students as they strive to reach their full potential.



IN THE HALLS

#GIRLSWITHOUTLIMITS NEWS

COKIE ROBERTS SPEAKS AT ANNUAL SPRING LUNCHEON



We welcomed nearly 300 guests to this year's Spring Luncheon on May 2 at Michigan Shores Club. Keynote speaker Cokie Roberts spoke about the importance of educating strong women and empowering them to fight against injustice in their communities and the world. As Cokie noted, Josephinum is doing this every day. Student speaker Krystal Paul Emile '17 shared how Josephinum has supported her through tough times, promising to pay it forward as she heads to Manhattanville College and prepares for a bright future.

FRESHMEN PRESENT AT ANNUAL HISTORY FAIR

On June 1, the freshmen participated in this year's History Fair, where they presented the results of document-based historical investigations they conducted this semester. Topics included the factors that influence homelessness among veterans, the effects of racism on education in the 1950s, and many more. Their thorough research and strong presentation skills were impressive!

CUBS ANNOUNCE JOSEPHINUM AS A DIAMOND PROJECT GRANTEE



Josephinum President Patti Tuomey, softball coach and science teacher Corina Perez '11, and softball player Ariel Maldonado '18 attended a Cubs game this spring, where Josephinum was publically acknowledged as a Diamond Project grantee. Last spring, Josephinum received a Diamond Project grant from Cubs Charities to renovate the school's softball field. The photo above includes all of last year's grantees. Construction on the field began this June.

FCB CREATIVE DIRECTOR VISITS AS PART OF CAREER SPEAKER SERIES

Marianna Ruiz, Creative Director at FCB, a global advertising agency, came to Josephinum to share stories of her career path with students. Marianna is a seventh-generation Sacred Heart graduate from Carrollton School of the Sacred Heart in Miami, Florida.

IB BIOLOGY CLASS TESTS CHICAGO RIVER WATER QUALITY



A group of students from the IB biology class took a field trip to the North Branch of the Chicago River at the Irene C. Hernandez Picnic Area to conduct a series of tests to determine the water quality of the river. Using safety equipment, the students waded in the river and caught macroinvertebrates. Then, they presented their research and findings to the rest of the junior class.

SPANISH CLUB RAISES MONEY FOR THE PULSERA PROJECT

This semester, the Spanish Club raised more than \$1,000 by selling handwoven bracelets, also known as pulseras in Spanish, as part of the Pulsera Project. The beautiful, colored bracelets are made by Nicaraguan artists and all proceeds from the sales are invested into jobs and programs in Central American communities.

STUDENTS REFLECT ON THE MEANING OF SACRIFICE FOR HERSTORY



Each March, Josephinum students participate in HerStory, a performance art piece celebrating Women's History Month. This year's theme was sacrifice. Students retold stories of women who inspire them, focusing on the sacrifices they have made throughout their lives.

STUDENTS ATTEND ALFORD GROUP NATIONAL STAFF MEETING

This spring, Josephinum welcomed Brenda Asare, President & CEO of the Alford Group, a strategic non-profit consulting firm to participate in the school's career speaker series. Following Brenda's visit, four Josephinum students were invited to attend Alford's national staff meeting in May. The meeting brought together Alford's leadership team to discuss the organization's strategic priorities and goals. Following the staff meeting, Brenda graciously hosted the students for lunch to answer their questions.

WNBA ALL-STAR TAMIKA CATCHINGS HOSTS BASKETBALL CLINIC AT THE JO



On June 17, Olympic Gold Medalist and WNBA All-Star Tamika Catchings held a free basketball and fitness clinic for 5th-8th grade students at Josephinum. More than 60 participants joined us for the clinic to practice their basketball skills and learn tips for proper health and nutrition. The clinic was sponsored by the Chicago Sky and the Catch the Stars Foundation, Inc.

JOSEPHINUM HOSTS FOOD DESERT SUMMER SERVICE PROJECT



Ten students from Sacred Heart schools across the United States and Canada participated in the annual Food Deserts Summer Service Project at Josephinum. The group explored the food desert problem in Chicago and volunteered around the city. The week also included some Chicago sightseeing and time for individual and group reflection. The students also blogged about their experience throughout the week. These blog entries can be found on Josephinum's Facebook page at facebook.com/Josephinum.

IB THEATRE STUDENTS PERFORM "TIGER AT THE GATES"



Juniors in Josephinum's first IB theatre class performed Jean Giraudoux's "Tiger at the Gates" in March. The set design was done by a Josephinum alumna, Samantha Smyser '13. She is finishing a BFA in Fine Art & Business Management at Columbia College Chicago, and recently had art exhibited in the Art Institute of Chicago and the Chicago Cultural Center. Thank you to everyone who supported and attended the show.



**WHAT
COMES
NEXT**

WE HAVE SOMETHING SPECIAL HERE

What is one of Patti Tuomey's first goals as she steps into her new role as President of Josephinum Academy of the Sacred Heart? Shouting the school's name from the rooftops!

"This school is a hidden gem," Patti said. "I want more people to know about Josephinum so that they can join and experience this wonderful community. I know that the people I have met here, the people who make this school possible, make me want to come back to work every day. This is a community that is making a difference, and that everyone should want to be a part of."

After spending two months meeting with members of the community and exploring the ins and outs of Josephinum, Patti is ready to build on a foundation rooted in collaboration with the Sisters of Christian Charity and the Network of Sacred Heart Schools, and lead the school into the next chapter of its history.

Patti brings more than 20 years of management experience at nonprofit and philanthropic organizations to her new role at Josephinum. Most recently, Patti served as President and Chief Executive Officer for the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation. She previously held positions at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, and the Field Museum. Additionally, she has taught marketing and management courses at Northwestern University and the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

"After 127 years in Wicker Park, Josephinum is an anchor in this community and this neighborhood," Patti said. "I intend to extend Josephinum's reach beyond its physical bounds and help to facilitate meaningful partnerships that will benefit all of the members of this wonderful community."

Along with building community partnerships, Patti expressed a desire to grow Josephinum into a school that can serve as a model for similar educational institutions.

"This is an important time to step up and step in for women, and especially for our students," she said. "Access to a quality, transformative education is more important now than ever, and I'm excited to lead a community that is providing that to young women across Chicago."

"We want our students to be critical thinkers," Patti continued. "We want them to be compassionate. And, we want to provide them with an environment that allows them to grow together and form a real bond of sisterhood. All of this, married with our rigorous wall-to-wall International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, sets us apart. I believe that we are creating a model for educational institutions who aspire to provide this kind of program to their students. We have something special happening here, and I cannot wait to share it with even more people."

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JOSEPHINUM HELPED ME FIND MY VOICE

If you would have told me four years ago that I would be passionate about speaking in front of large crowds, I would never have believed you. Coming into high school, I struggled to step out of my comfort zone and found it difficult to even start a conversation with someone new. The leadership opportunities I was presented with throughout my years at Josephinum helped me find my voice.

Through singing in Josephinum's a cappella ensemble, Unaccompanied Minors, I was able to recognize that every member of a community plays a vital role in creating the perfect harmony. Eager to find my purpose, I challenged my introverted nature by competing in Illinois Council of Teachers of Mathematics (ICTM) Math Competitions, Lincoln-Douglas debates, and Model United Nations Conferences.

Something inside me clicked every time I stepped up to the podium as a UN Ambassador. I was speaking for the people of my "country" and working to solve real world problems. At my first conference, I played the role of a Chicago alderman, and one day I hope to relive that moment as a reality. After traveling to South Africa with the Peace Exchange to study nonviolence, and interning at Chicago City Hall last summer, I realized how passionate I am about creating peace.

I will be attending DePauw University in Greencastle, Indiana this fall as a Bonner Scholar.* All it took was one campus visit, for DePauw to become my dream school. I found a familiar comfort in the passion of the professors and friendliness of the students at DePauw. While participating in a Comparative Politics and Government class discussion during my college visit, I realized that Josephinum has helped me develop the ambition, confidence, and curiosity I need to be a lifelong learner.

* Twenty DePauw Bonner Scholars are selected each year based on their demonstrated commitment to serve during their high school careers, and their financial need.



MARIAH DE LA FUENTE '17 SENIOR REFLECTION

I WANT MY TIME AND MONEY TO GO DIRECTLY TO THOSE IN NEED, SO I GIVE TO ORGANIZATIONS LIKE JOSEPHINUM, WHICH ALLOCATES RESOURCES EFFECTIVELY TO DRIVE SOCIAL CHANGE.

For four years, Jackie Steves has given her time, treasure, and talent to Josephinum Academy of the Sacred Heart. She has served as an English teacher, executive assistant to Josephinum's President, Assistant Secretary to the Board of Directors, and Founder and President of Josephinum's Junior Board.

"I try to give to causes that Jesus would," Jackie explained. "I want my time and money to go to directly to those in need, so I give to organizations like Josephinum, which allocates resources effectively to drive social change."

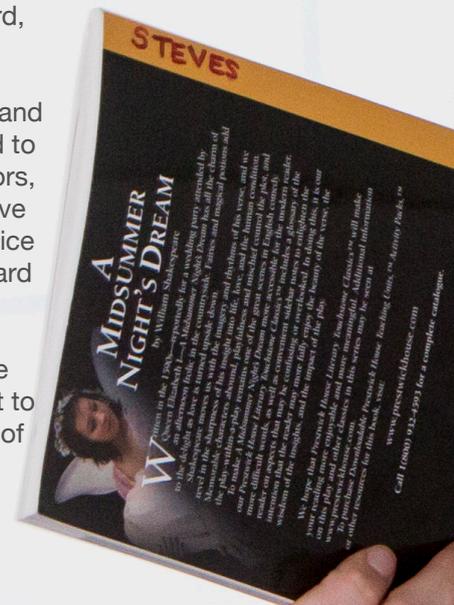
After graduating from Georgetown University and participating in the Urban Prep Academies Fellows Program, Jackie was introduced to Josephinum by longtime supporter and Sacred Heart graduate Michaela D'Arrigo, who attended Duchesne Academy of the Sacred Heart with Jackie's aunts. She was immediately impressed by the faculty and staff, and their passion for the school's mission. Jackie became a member of Josephinum's English Department and eventually began assisting advancement staff and former President Michael Dougherty. In 2014, she founded the Junior Board, which now has more than 30 active members.

"Over the past four years I've been here, I've witnessed Josephinum grow stronger and stronger," Jackie said. "I am most grateful for the tremendous opportunities I've had to learn from a fiercely dedicated faculty, a devoted and hard-working Board of Directors, and visionary leaders like Michael and the rest of the advancement and administrative teams. Our Junior Board members have blown me away with their enthusiastic service to Josephinum. I pray and hope that this trajectory continues because it points toward greater empowerment for more deserving young women across Chicago."

This summer, Jackie is moving to Los Angeles to begin a new adventure. She will be greatly missed, but we have no doubt that her compassion, drive, and commitment to serving others will lead her to accomplish great things. And, she will always be part of the Josephinum family.

We are honored to welcome Jackie back for our Annual Scholarship Gala on September 30 as this year's Helen Bruns Ryan Award recipient. For more information on this year's Gala, visit josephinum.org/gala.

Why do you give to Josephinum Academy of the Sacred Heart? To share your story, please call (773) 292-3964 x232 or email whyigive@josephinum.org.





JACKIE STEVES WHY I GIVE

LOOKBOOK



Kim Vender Moffat and Bobbi Vender catch up with friends before Kim's keynote speech at this year's Winter Lunch.



Members of the SCC Mentoring Group, Kelly Hackett, Sue Franklin, Cathy Nichols, and Kathy Jackson at the Spring Luncheon.



Current President Patti Tuomey, Chair of the Board of Directors Helene Donahue, and former President Michael Dougherty pose for a photo at the Winter Lunch.



Patricia Spencer, Mary Clare Starshak, and Petie Russo mingle during the Spring Luncheon reception.



Tracie Michalek, Spring Luncheon Chair Mimi Brault, and Meg Phelan at this year's Spring Luncheon.



Michael Dougherty and members of the 2016-2017 Board of Directors pause for a photo before heading inside for graduation.

FROM THE ARCHIVES



This June, we held our first 24-hour Josephinum Alumnae Challenge, encouraging our alumnae to give back to their alma mater.

The #JoAlumnaeChallenge was a success. Throughout the challenge, we posted throwback photos on Facebook. The two on the left were a huge hit with all of our alumnae. Visit facebook.com/Josephinum to see the rest of the photos.

Thank you all for your generous support of Josephinum's life-changing, transformative program.

Do you have stories and photos to share from your time at Josephinum? We want to hear and see them! Please send your memories to alumnae@josephinum.org.





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UPCOMING EVENTS

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP GALA

September 30, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
InterContinental Chicago
josephinum.org/gala

COCKTAILS AND CONVERSATION

August 24, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.
Haymarket Pub & Brewery
josephinum.org/cocktailsandconversation

JOSEPHINUM EXPERIENCE TOUR

October 16, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.
Josephinum Academy of the Sacred Heart
josephinum.org/experience

WINTER LUNCH

February 13, 2018 at 11:30 a.m.
University Club of Chicago
josephinum.org/winterlunch