

Class notes

Maria Delsing will graduate in May with an Ed.D in ethical leadership. She is an Olivet Centennial Cohort member.

Mariellen Miske, '79, has been married to Tim for 22 ½ years. They have six children: Nichole, 20; Terry, 17; Malik, 14; Alexis, 13; Robert, 13; and Jermaine, 12.

Deborah DeCoursey Jermyn, '77 earned her MSN from University of Phoenix in 2005. She was inducted into Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society. She has been teaching as a nurse educator for 10 years.

Marcia Nissel, '72, was recognized for 35 years of service to the Washington County Board of Education, Hagerstown, MD. She currently is the athletic director of North Hagerstown High School.

Chris Gallin, '70, recently announced her retirement from the Scott County Board of Supervisors. She has served as chairwoman and was the first woman to hold the post in more than 20 years. She was appointed to the board in 2005. .

Alum **Wayne Hess '94** was featured in a profile in the Quad-City Times about his local theatre work. He starred beside his wife Sheri in Countryside Community Theatre's "Annie Get Your Gun" last summer.

Former Marycrest President **Wanda Bigham** is now the interim Associate General Secretary of the Division of Higher Education, a part of the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry of the United Methodist Church.

Jennifer (Waddell) DeWitt, '87, received a first place and third place award in business reporting from the Iowa Newspaper Association in February. She is a business reporter at the Quad-City Times, where she has been employed for 22 years.

Mariellen Miske '79, married to Tim for 22 ½ years. Has children Nichole-20, Terry-17, Malik-14, Alexis-13, Robert-13, Jermaine-12.

Deborah DeCoursey Jermyn '77, Earned MSN from University of Phoenix 5/2005. Inducted into Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society. Have been teaching as a nurse educator for 10 years.

Marcia Nissel '72, Was recognized for 35 years of service to the Washington County Board of Education, Hagerstown, MD. She is currently the Athletic Director of North Hagerstown High School.

Weddings:

Rebecca Hebler, '2001, and John Peterson were married Oct. 24, 2009, in Galena, Ill.

Marycrest Alum **Ben McAdams** married **Lois Tollefson Larson** on Aug. 8, 2009, in Moline. He served as principal at Grant School, director of special services and superintendent of Moline Schools.

Engagements:

Kevin Rokusek, '91, and **Katie Dettlaff** are engaged to be married. A wedding is planned for June 5, 2010, in Bettendorf.

Anniversaries:

Jim and Maureen Schebler, '59, of Davenport, celebrated their 50th anniversary on Dec. 26, 2009.

Births:

Nikki Petsas Blodgett and **Tom Blodgett** had a son, Colin James, on Nov. 3, 2009.

Kara Stark Rupp and **Dave Rupp** had a son, Logan Chase, June 3, 2009.

Deaths:

Sr. Eleanor Neuroth (Sr. Mary Francis DeSales), '51, CHM, died March 7, 2010, in Johnston, Iowa, at the age of 90. During her career, she was a supervisor of obstetrics at St. Joseph Hospital, Ottumwa, Iowa, and a clinic instructor at its School of Nursing. She also worked 19 years at Marshalltown (Iowa) Medical & Surgical Center. She returned to Davenport in 1992 and moved to Bishop Drumm Retirement Center in 2001.

Richard Erickson, of Bettendorf, the husband of **Phyllis (Pekios) Erickson, '76**, died Feb. 22, 2010. He was 77. Phyllis also served on Marycrest staff.

Carolyn (Gatlin) Dasso, '70, of Pleasant Valley, , died Feb. 18, 2010.

Anne B. (Lawlor) Ehrecke, 90, died Feb. 9, 2010, in Davenport. She retired from St. Paul the Apostle Catholic School, Davenport, in 1990. She is the mother of Marycrest alums **Larry Ehrecke, '88, Jeanne Frick, '67.**

Charlotte Goodman, '68, died Feb. 9, 2010, in Davenport. She was 89. She was a substitute teacher and private tutor for many years.

Sr. Annette Gallagher, CHM, '48, died Jan. 24, 2010. She had been a history professor and reference librarian.

Dr. Jacqueline Stolley, '80, died Jan. 17, 2010, in Davenport. She had been a professor at the Trinity School of Nursing.

David Miller, 52, of LeClaire, Iowa, husband of **Janet Rossmiller-Miller '99**, died Jan. 15, 2010.

Christine Sullivan, '68, died Jan. 13, 2010, in Davenport. She was 63. She was a longtime music teacher for Davenport schools.

Mary McKeague, '58, of Clinton, Iowa, died Dec. 23, 2009. A music teacher at public and parochial schools, she also had spent 20 years as a member of the Humility of Mary Congregation. She was 75.

Mary Waterman Gildehaus, 62, of Davenport, died Nov. 29, 2009, after a valiant battle with cancer.

Kathleen Brandon, '74, of Davenport, died Oct. 7, 2009. She had been employed for 32 years at Arrowhead Ranch. She was 58.

Dorothy Naylor-Mark, '77, died May 1, 2009. She had been an educator, retiring as principal at Davenport's Monroe Elementary.

Drucilla Leinbaugh, mother of **Linda VanHese, '84**, died April 23, 2009.

Maureen (McKinstra) Cramer, of Hanover, Mass., died Sept. 8, 2008. She attended Marycrest in the early 1950s.

Phyllis Sperling Baylis, '44, died Oct. 13, 2008. She lived in the Phoenix area for more than 50 years. She worked for the National Institute of Health.

Carol Bedford, '59, 73, of Davenport, died April 28, 2008. She had been a teacher in the Davenport School District for many years.

Julie Ann Smith, 67, of DeWitt, Iowa, died April 23, 2008. She received her teaching degree at Marycrest.