

Enjoy this fifth edition of Alpha Sigma Nu's e-newsletter highlighting what ASN is up to this spring.



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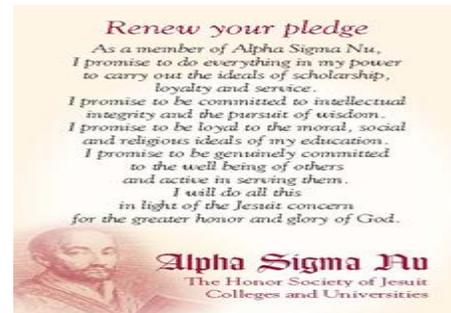
Spring is a busy season. Alpha Sigma Nu's spring calendar is no exception to this rule. We welcome new inductees to ASN, and our Society is renewed as members recite the Alpha Sigma Nu Pledge in unison with these new voices.

In this newsletter:

"... promise to carry out the ideals of scholarship, loyalty and service" Learn about two exceptional ASN members who are living the ASN tenets in extraordinary ways while inspiring those around them.

"... committed to the pursuit of wisdom" ASN announces its spring Lunch & Learn webinar speaker and welcomes all members to register for this educational opportunity exclusive to members.

"...committed to the well being of others and active in serving them" ASN promotes the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities National Jesuit Alumni Service Days and the various ASN Alumni Club service events. Also, read Karen Kleppe Lembo's story about serving others through the Ignatian Volunteer Corps.





LUNCH & LEARN WEBINAR SERIES

Member-exclusive Resource

Thursday, April 19th

12:00 pm ET

Featured Speaker: Linda LeMura, President, Le Moyne College

Topic: Leading a Jesuit University in the 21st Century

[Register Online](#)

Space is limited. Register early to reserve your spot.



Dr. Linda M. LeMura is the 14th president of Le Moyne College. She is the second layperson to lead the institution on a permanent basis and the first lay female to serve as president of a Jesuit college or university in the world.

Prior to being named president, Dr. LeMura served for five years as the College's provost and vice president for academic affairs, where she played a pivotal role in the revision of the College's Core curriculum, establishing the School of Business, and expanding Le Moyne's science facilities.

Dr. LeMura previously worked at Bloomsburg University of PA as professor, graduate program director, and chairperson in several departments, as well as interim associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Dr. LeMura's fields of research and expertise include pediatric obesity, pediatric applied physiology, lipid metabolism and energy metabolism.

Alpha Sigma Nu is proud to announce the two winners of this year's Magis Medal. In this inaugural year as an annual award, the Magis Medal highlights Douglas McCabe, PhD and Nhi Pham, DDS.

Dr. Douglas McCabe (Marquette '70)

Dr. McCabe, PhD is awarded the Magis Medal for his involvement with Dog Tag, Inc. Dr. McCabe, a native of Chicago, received his BA in 1971 from Marquette University. He earned his MS from Loyola University Chicago in 1973 and his PhD in industrial and labor relations from Cornell University in 1977. In 1982, he was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure in the School of Business at Georgetown University. He holds the distinction of being the youngest person in the history of the school to date to receive that promotion and the distinction of becoming the youngest full professor in the history of the school.



Dr. Douglas McCabe (MU '70) and Dr. Nhi Pham (SU '94)

Dog Tag, Inc., offers transition programming that empowers the lives of veterans with service connected disabilities, military spouses, and caregivers through a fellowship program that fosters an entrepreneurial mindset in a small business environment, Dog Tag Bakery. Serving as the backbone of the fellowship program are seven business courses taught by Georgetown University faculty that ultimately comprise a non-credit certificate in business administration. Professor McCabe dedicates his time to teaching two of these courses: Principles of Management and Business Policy. The fellow population is unique and comes with an inherent set of challenges, primarily stemming from service connected injury and recovery. The fellowship program began in 2014 with Dr. McCabe at its heart. He has remained through graduation of six cohorts and is set to teach again for the seventh group. Through their interactions with Dr. McCabe, fellows gain managerial insight and understanding of the business world, and perhaps more importantly, they begin to build their own confidence. The program began in 2014 with Dr. McCabe as its heart. Dr. McCabe encourages the fellows to envision a life without their military uniform, and what their new mission and purpose is in the civilian world. His commitment is relentless and his belief in our fellows is unwavering.

Dr. Nhi Pham (Seattle University '94)

Dr. Nhi Pham, a 1995 alumna of Seattle University, is an accomplished dentist, generous humanitarian, and visionary leader and mentor. As Jesuit Jerry Cobb, SJ, noted in a recent Seattle University Magazine profile, "Nhi is my ideal of a Sullivan scholar alumna [Seattle University's prestigious scholarship reserved for students of the highest character and academic caliber] because of her combination of personal warmth, deep insight and heroic hard-work habits."

Dr. Pham is involved in more than 10 local and international organizations. Veterans and refugees are her particular focus; she embodies the Gospel values and the Ignatian invitation to help fashion a more just, humane, and sustainable world. Her international efforts include opening a medical and dental clinic in Tanzania and providing dental care to Syrian and Afghan refugees.

Dr. Pham models how social justice can be promoted in business. Her dental offices have a community outreach coordinator, her employees join her on mission trips, and the clinic provides free dental care to military veterans on their annual "Freedom Day."

As a 1975 Vietnamese refugee and professional woman of color, mentoring female dental clinicians and serving refugees and war veterans is not merely an academic exercise. For Dr. Pham, these servant-led practices allow her to experience the fullness of her whole self and inspire others with memory and imagination.

ALUMNI VOICES

Sharing member stories about living their Ignatian values out in the world

All in God's Time

Having failed to listen to my mom and accept the offer from the Jesuit Volunteer Corps, I lived the next four decades in a semi-wistful state. The seed planted by the Holy Spirit, however, it manifested itself much later when I discovered Ignatian Volunteer Corps.

Attending Georgetown, I was honored to be inducted into Alpha Sigma Nu ("ASN"). I started law school the September after college graduation. Marriage quickly followed, as did the gift of three children, and work in public service. All of this provided deep fulfillment and lifted me up over the years. Between retirement and our children growing up and going out on their own, I felt lost, and on shaky ground. I found myself journaling, praying, and searching for what would "fill my heart and soul's well." I came to realize that Georgetown, and ASN, provided four years of faith sharing, Jesuit-infused insights, and communities where I felt welcome and free to be myself.



Karen Kleppe Lembo (Georgetown '77) pictured in the center with IVC volunteers and students at Cathedral High School.

And then, we had a serendipitous lunch with my husband's friend. Mike, a proud Le Moyne and Notre Dame Law alumnus. He also recently retired and could not stop talking about the Ignatian Volunteer Corps. Immediately I emailed the NYC Regional Director of IVC, met her on March 25, 2015, and the rest is history!

I attended a monthly IVC meeting, with Mike, and was near speechless. In a room filled with volunteers - educators, health care professionals, librarians, lawyers, social workers, CEOs from all disciplines - the Holy Spirit was in clear view. God did not let me down - IVC was here, when I needed it the most. Today, the Daily Examen directs my service, and is one of the legions of blessings thanks to IVC.

Three fellow volunteers and I serve at Cathedral High School, a 125-year-old all girls Catholic high school located in NYC. The challenges facing these young women are daunting - but with the education and support provided by Cathedral, they are breaking countless glass ceilings. We serve the school and students in various ways, creating a library; guest-teaching marketing classes; mentoring young ladies in the mock trial preparation and competition; leading book clubs, writing classes, and knitting classes; assisting in all drama and musical productions; and serving in whatever capacity the principal asks of us.

Our IVC team at CHS energize and support each other at Cathedral - but equally important are our IVC monthly meetings. Prayer, reflection, stories, and fellowship highlight these gatherings and we are blessed with a wonderful spiritual advisor as well. As an IVC volunteer, I have ready access to our Regional Director, participate in two retreats a year, enjoy book discussions, and have access to vast array of online spiritual resources. My IVC colleague, Barbara Lee's book, "God Isn't Finished with Me Yet," has just been published by Loyola Press. In the next few months, our IVC meetings will include reading, meditating, and shared reflections on this book.

Our IVC NY regional director recently shared Pedro Arrupe's "Falling in Love." It reads, in part: "What you are in love with, what seizes your imagination, will affect everything. It will decide what will get you out of bed in the morning, what you do with your evenings, how you spend your weekends, what you read, whom you know, what breaks your heart, and what amazes you with joy and gratitude." Yes, I have fallen in love with God all over again, thanks to IVC. I practically dance into Cathedral and my monthly IVC meetings. I cherish these new friends, my meaningful work, and am learning more about my faith and prayer life.

I arrived at Georgetown ready to "change the world." ASN certainly provided me with direction and inspiration, along with my Jesuit education. Through my marriage, my career, my family, and faith, I have tried to live up to what was expected of me by God, family, and our community. IVC is a whole new chapter in my life, a chapter of a book I pray has many more pages left to write. Please, as you reach that point in your lives - God-willing - consider www.ivcusa.org.

Submitted by Karen Kleppe Lembo (Georgetown '77)



{ Write for ASN }

We want to hear your voice. What's your story?

Interested in sharing your story with your Jesuit honor society? We're looking for alumni to guest write a blog or article, to simply share your journey since induction, or to quote for future newsletters. [Contact us!](#)

Alpha Sigma Nu fundraising MADNESS



Round 1 starts TODAY!

This is a tourney-style competition between Jesuit colleges and universities. Students and alumni compete to advance their school/alma mater by donating online during each "round" of competition. **Donations accepted online only.** Donations must be received by 11:59 p.m. on the last date of each round. The school with the most donors (*not dollars*) advances. The school who wins the tournament will receive **\$200** toward programming for the Student Chapter. Last year Marquette University was the champion.

Round 1: 32 schools March 15-18th

Round 2: Sweet 16 March 19-21st

Round 3: Elite 8 March 22-25th

Round 4: Final 4 March 26-29th

Final: March 30-April 2nd

Winner announced April 3rd

FOLLOW THE MADNESS - Support your alma mater!

The winners of each round will be announced via email, on the [ASN website](#), and via social media. Read more about it [here](#) and download your bracket [here](#).

Advance Your School

National Jesuit Alumni Service Days



The [Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities](#) (AJCU) organizes an annual event to promote an ongoing adherence to the Jesuit mission of being "men and women for and with others" among alumni of Jesuit colleges and universities in the U.S. [National Jesuit Service Days](#) include service events throughout the spring, organized around each college. Alumni are invited to register for an event near you, whether you are near your alma mater or a different Jesuit school. All alumni are welcome!

Find a full listing of the 2018 events [online](#). The list will be updated frequently as new service events are added, and you can find the registration links for each event online as well. Alpha

Sigma Nu encourages its members to participate in the Service Days to reconnect with that core tenet of the Jesuit honor society and Jesuit education in general.

You can always find resources to stay connected to your Jesuit roots through the Alpha Sigma Nu [News](#) and [Events](#) pages on the new website and by filtering through the [Resources](#) page!



{ ASN Alumni Club Highlights }

Alpha Sigma Nu Alumni Clubs are thriving in eleven cities across the United States. Additionally, clubs are developing in Boston, Connecticut, and San Francisco. Our Clubs are an excellent way to live the ASN tenets and connect with members. You can find an Alumni club [here](#). If you live in a city that does not have a club, but are interested in chartering a club, contact the [Director of Alumni Relations](#) for assistance.



This winter Alumni Clubs hosted **service** events, like the annual Father Woody Christmas party for the poor at Regis University in Denver; attended **lectures** like Detroit Club traveling to listen to Father Gregory Boyle's presentation on his new book *Barking to the Choir*; and provided opportunities for members to focus on their **faith**, such as Omaha's Advent reflection event. Here is what is on tap this spring!

March

10th	Denver Club	Samaritan House Day of Service
18th	Danihy Club (Milwaukee)	Annual Mass and Brunch
23rd	Omaha Club	Project Homeless Service Project
28th	New York Club	Lenten Service Project at the Dwelling Place

April

5th	Scranton Club	Career Networking Night with Student Chapter
19th	Denver Club	Speaker <i>Life Reimagined- Discovering Your New Life</i> possibilities
21st	Danihy Club	Hunger Clean-up event with Student Chapter at Marquette

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