

# 2025 Slate of Nominees for Alum Association Board and Committee Positions

The Alum Association Nominating Committee respectfully submits the following slate of candidates for election at the 153rd Annual Meeting, to be held on May 24, 2025. Each candidate has been fully informed of the responsibility and rights of the position and has indicated consent to serve if elected. Members may submit additional nominations as outlined in the bylaws. Terms are 2025-2028 except as specifically noted.

# **Board of Directors Positions**

#### **Alum-Trustee Elect**

**Sowmya Subramanian '96**, Mountainview, CA. Warner Bros. Discovery, executive vice president. MA, University of Wisconsin-Madison. Class: Mount Club of the Peninsula: former alum representative assistant.

#### **Classes and Reunions Committee Chair**

**Marie Bacchiocchi '88**, Manalapan, NJ. Old Brick Reformed Church, pastor. M.A.T., Rhode Island College. M.Div., Harvard University Divinity School. Association: former Board of Directors admissions liaison, second vice president, Alum Trustee Committee member. Class: former treasurer, class agent, vice president, reunion chair, Nominating Committee member. Chicago Suburbs Club: former alum representative assistant. Mount Holyoke Club of Rhode Island: former president, alum representative assistant. Southern Arizona Alum Club: former alum representative assistant.

# **Clubs and Groups Committee Chair**

Naomi Barry-Perez '96, Washington, D.C. U.S Department of Labor, director of civil rights. J.D., Georgetown University. M.A., Syracuse University. Association: former Clubs and Groups Committee member. Class: former class agent, reunion gift caller. Minneapolis Club: former alum representative assistant. Washington, D.C., Club: former Board of Directors member at large, young alum chair, alum representative assistant, alum representative book award sponsor. Central New York Club: former alum representative assistant. College: Vicky Schuck Campaign Steering Committee member, ALANA Committee member. Awards: Loyalty Award, 2021. *Term extended through 2026*.

# **Volunteer Experience Committee Co-Chair**

**Janice Abert '82**, Heber City, UT. Retired executive recruiter. Class: current head class agent, Mary Lyon Society Representative; former reunion hospitality chair, Cornerstone representative, class agent,

reunion gift caller, reunion gift chair. Mount Holyoke Club of Chicago: former membership chair. Mount Holyoke Club of Louisiana: former alum representative. Mount Holyoke Club of New York City: former membership chair, special events chair, alum representative assistant. Mount Holyoke Club of Westchester New York: former alum representative book award sponsor, alum representative assistant. College: former Mount Holyoke Fund Volunteer Steering Committee member. Awards: Loyalty Award, 2012. *Term extended through 2027.* 

# **Non-Board Committee Positions**

#### **Classes and Reunions Committee**

**Caroline Aranibar '05,** Boston, MA. Trader Joe's, corporate buyer. M.S., University of Sheffield; CG, Harvard University. Association: former Reunion Task Force member. Class: current reunion co-chair; former vice president, reunion program chair.

Jane Zippe Putscher '87. Swanton, VT. Self-employed, bookkeeper. MBA, University of Pittsburgh.

### **Clubs and Groups Committee**

**Symone A. New '10,** New York, NY. Planned Parenthood Federation of America, associate director of donor relations and stewardship. M.A., Teachers College Columbia University. Class: former reunion co-chair. Manhattan Alum Region Club: former rep assistant, rep book award sponsor; Mount Holyoke Club of New York City: former president, program chair, young alum chair.

#### **External Achievement Awards Committee**

**Danetta Beaushaw '88**, Houston, TX. Engie North America, senior counsel. J.D., University Michigan Ann Arbor. Association: former chair, Executive Director Search Committee, Nominating Committee chair and member. Class: current Cornerstone chair; former class agent, reunion chair, reunion name tag chair, reunion co-chair, reunion sign chair, reunion website coordinator, president, reunion booklet chair, mini-reunion chair, Nominating Committee chair, secretary/scribe, vice president. Club of Houston: former Nominating Committee chair, alum rep. assistant, president, membership chair, secretary/scribe. College: former Mount Holyoke Fund Committee member, Mount Holyoke Fund Volunteer Steering Committee. Awards: Loyalty Award, 2013; Medal of Honor, 2023. *Term ends* 2026.

**Tiffany Dembowski '06,** Casco, ME. Fidelity National Title Group, state counsel. J.D., University of Maine. DIP, University of St. Andrews. Class: former class agent, president, reunion gift caller, reunion chair, Nominating Committee member.

**Hill Ossip '10**, Seattle, WA. Nia Tero, director of communications. Association: former Communications Committee member. Class: former Nominating Committee member.

# **Fellowship Committee**

Nancy G. Rosoff '78, Malvern. PA. Retired, Arcadia University, dean of graduate and undergraduate studies. Ph.D., Temple University. Association: former Nominating Committee and External Achievement Awards Committee member. Class: current website coordinator and class agent; former Reunion Committee member, Nominating Committee member, reunion gift caller, Nominating Committee chair, class agent. Philadelphia Club: current Program Committee member. Awards: Loyalty Award, 2018. *Term ends 2026.* 

### **Finance Committee**

Naira Ahmad '98, Chicago, IL. Life Span, Board of Directors member. MBA, Duke University.

**Julie Temlak '92**, Cumberland, RI. Massachusetts Mutual Financial, investigative consultant. M.S., Northeastern University. Class: current president; former vice president, Nominating Committee member, class agent and reunion gift caller. Boston Club: former secretary.

#### **Internal Achievement Awards Committee**

Carrie Kortegast '98, Dekalb, IL. Northern Illinois University, assistant professor, higher education. Ph.D., Iowa State University, M.Ed., University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Association: former Nominating Committee member, Classes and Reunion Committee member. Class: current head class agent; former class agent, vice president, reunion co-chair, reunion gift caller, scribe. South Hadley Club: former alum admissions representative. College: former Mount Holyoke Fund Committee member. Awards: Alum Volunteer Leadership Award, 2013.

**Tamar Spitz Westphal '12**, Columbus, OH. The Ohio State University, graduate student and graduate teaching associate in Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies. Association: former Clubs and Groups Committee member. Class: former communications chair, Nominating Committee member. Mount Holyoke Club of Chicago: former at-large officer, communications chair, secretary, young alum chair, alum admissions representative, alum admissions representative assistant. Awards: Alum Admission Recognition Award, 2015, Young Alum Volunteer Leadership Award, 2017.

# **Nominating Committee**

**Fabiola T. DeCaratachea '97**, Lemoore, CA. Richard Health and Associates, senior director. Peninsula, California, Club: former member-at-large.

**Fran Gardner-Smith** '88, Reston, VA. Clarke Parish, interim rector. M.A.T., Mount Holyoke College; M.Div., Virginia Theological Seminary. Class: former scribe, vice president, reunion chair and co-chair, class agent. Franklin Club: former president, Ways & Means Committee chair, vice president and program chair. Awards: Loyalty Award, 2023.

**Melissa Johnson '20**, Berwyn, PA. Drexel University, assistant director of engagement. M.A. George Mason University. Class: current vice president. Washington, D.C., Club: former recent alum chair.

# **Volunteer Experience Committee**

Ilika Tripathi '22, Brookline, MA. F.L. Putnam Investment Company, portfolio analyst.

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