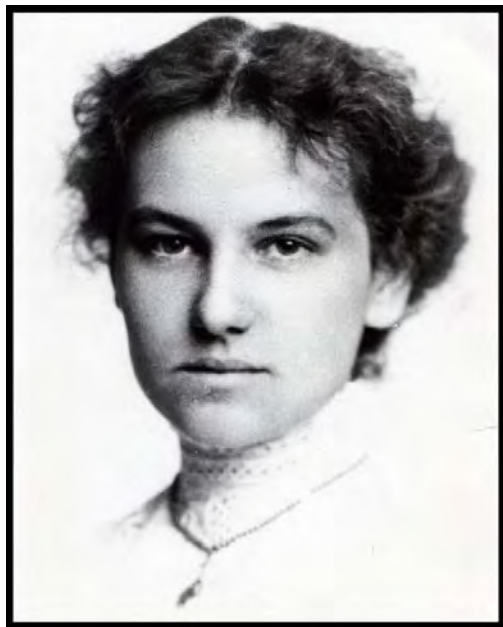


SNJM Stories

Working Wonders: Caroline Gleason (Sister Miriam Theresa) and Fair Pay Legislation



Caroline Gleason (who became Sister Miriam Theresa).

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Our Province received a \$500 grant from National Catholic Sisters Week (NCSW) to put on a program about Holy Names Sister Miriam Theresa, a pioneering advocate for fair pay and working conditions for low-income people in Oregon. In the award letter, NCSW Co-Executive Director Molly Hazelton wrote, "We loved your idea! We are thrilled to support you while you plan to celebrate and honor women religious and their heritage this year."

On the day of the event, Sisters, Associates, staff and members of the public filled the Holy Names Heritage Center in Lake Oswego, OR for a riveting presentation on the life of Caroline Gleason (Sister Miriam Theresa) by Portland State University Professor Jan Dilg.



Professor Jan Dilg speaking to the audience.

Before becoming Sister Miriam Theresa, Caroline Gleason led Oregon to adopt the nation's first law on minimum wages and maximum working hours. Professor Dilg shared photos, stories and a video from her years of research. A highlight of the afternoon was when Sisters in the audience shared their personal memories of Sister Miriam Theresa, many of whom were her students at Marylhurst University.

To watch a video of the presentation, go to: <https://vimeo.com/159845937>

Read the Sister Miriam Theresa (Caroline Gleason) Papers here:

http://centuryofaction.org/index.php/main_site/Collections/sister_miriam_theresa_caroline_gleason_papers

More in the news:

The Catholic Sentinel included the story of Sister Miriam Theresa in a recent article about a new law that gives Oregon the highest minimum wage in the country. Read more at:

<http://www.catholicsentinel.org/main.asp?SectionID=2&SubSectionID=35&ArticleID=31068>

Silent Prayer and Vigil in the Mid-Atlantic

The SNJM community in the Mid-Atlantic joined the Mid-Atlantic Coalition Against Modern Slavery (MACAMS) at their silent prayer and vigil on a busy street corner in Silver Spring, MD. Those unable to walk down to the corner or stand outside joined in silent prayer in a meeting room. It was a positive experience for all supporting the Sisters' corporate stand against trafficking of women and children.

You can read about our corporate stands at: <http://snjmusontario.org/what-we-do/justice/corporate-stands>



L-R includes: Roberta Thompson, SNJM, Eileen Dunn, SNJM, Carol Ries, SNJM, Ann Marean, SNJM, Molia Sieh, SNJM, Associate Candidate Patricia Rogers, Virginia Dunn, SNJM, Frankie Barber, SNJM, Pat Corbey, SNJM, Janet Walton, SNJM, Kathleen Griffin, SNJM, Virginia Bonan, SNJM and Carroll Ann Kemp, SNJM.

Welcome to Our New Director of Advancement

We are happy to welcome Sarah Harris as Director of Advancement for the Province, based in Marylhurst, OR. Sarah has a background in development, strategic planning and management. If you are interested in getting in touch, her email address is sharris@snjmuson.org.



Sarah Harris.

Celebrating SNJM Ministries

Innovative Robotics Programs at Holy Names Schools

The robotics teams from Ramona Convent Secondary School and Holy Names Academy, Seattle were recently profiled by their local news outlets. The Ramona Rampage team named their robot "Lady Margaret the Magnificent" in honor of their beloved Director of Technology Integration and Educational Innovation who recently passed, Margaret Spiller, SNJM. Academy of the Holy Names, Tampa also has a robotics program.

Read about the Ramona Rampage at:

<http://pasadenanow.com/pasadenaschools/ramona-convent-robotics-team-competes-at-statewide-competition>

Watch a video of the Holy Names Academy, Seattle team at:

<http://q13fox.com/2016/03/08/washingtons-only-all-girls-robotics-team-competes-for-title/>



Ramona Rampage, the robotics team at Ramona Convent Secondary School.

AHN, Tampa Alumni Make Generous Donation

Richard and Melanie Gonzmart, both graduates of the Academy of the Holy Names, Tampa, announced a \$1 million gift to the school at a recent fundraising event. The gift is the largest alumni gift in the school's history and will go toward the Academy's master plan as well as the school's endowment. Read more and see a photo of Richard Gonzmart with his former teacher Sister Mary Patricia Plumb at: <http://www.bizjournals.com/tampabay/news/2016/03/20/one-of-tampa-s-best-known-restaurateurs-gives-1.html>

On the Province Website

Service Thoughts

Sisters and Associates are sharing their thoughts on the Province website exploring a new theme each month. In March, we looked at the theme of Presence. In April, we are looking at the theme of Service. Catch up on stories you've missed and check back weekly for new stories here:

<http://snimusontario.org/snjm-themes>

Meet the 2016 Golden Jubilarians

The biographies and portraits of the 2016 Golden Jubilarians are now available to view on the Province website. Learn more about the women celebrating 50 years of

religious profession here: <http://snimusontario.org/news/celebrations/golden-jubilarians>

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