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# Mount Holyoke College Class of 1992 *E-Blast*

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## Class Officers

**–President–**  
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**–Secretary–**  
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**–Scribes–**

## Creative, Service-Oriented Leaders Needed for Our Class Board

Yes, you would be great!

Over the next two years, the Class of 1992 will be preparing for its 15th reunion. In addition to organizing the reunion activities, this preparation includes identifying individuals to serve on our board for 2007-2012. As chair of the nomination committee, I invite you to consider nominating yourself or a classmate for a position on the class board.

### Getting Involved

There are many opportunities for individuals to serve, each with different levels of commitment. In the upcoming e-blasts, we will be highlighting the nomination process as well as the various positions in which you might consider serving including president, vice president, treasurer, development officer, secretary, scribe, nominating committee, class agents, and reunion coordinators. The chance to connect with brilliant, interesting, and funny women comes along quite frequently for many of us, I imagine, but there is something energizing about serving with brilliant, interesting, and funny, Class of 1992 women. Regular class board conference calls facilitate our service to MHC; moreover, they also provide windows into the inspiring lives of our classmates.

This being said, as one who abstains from the class scribe updates for fear of bringing down the class mean for children, partners, pets, and advanced degrees, I would say that to date no Nobel Prize winners, Academy Award nominees, or lottery winners have served on our board. That's right, I volunteered to serve now before my classmates REALLY hit their stride.

What I am trying to say is that service to MHC and your classmates does not require any special qualifications. Each person on the board is at a different point in her personal and professional life with different talents to contribute. Often barking dogs and playful children join us on the board calls. Some of us are negotiating dissertation committees while others are busy brokering daycare arrangements and setting business agendas. At the end of the day, we all love Mount Holyoke and continue to want to make a difference in whatever ways that we can.

### Express Your Interest or Ask a Question

You can look forward to additional information on opportunities to serve the Class of 1992 in future e-blasts and on the class website. If you have questions now or would like to express your interest in serving, please feel free to contact me at lahendri@umich.edu.

[Jenny Beeson](#) &  
[Celeste Jones](#)

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Agents–  
[Alicechandra Fritz](#)  
&  
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–Reunion  
Chairs–  
[Kristen Kelly](#) &  
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Committee–  
[Lori Hendricks](#),  
[Jennifer West](#),  
[Ariann Stern](#),  
[Molly Schmitz](#)

–Webmaster–  
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Lori Hendricks  
Class of 1992 Nominating Committee, Chair


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## Class Spotlight:

**Update from Lynda Vescio:** My life continues to move at light speed. In April 2004, I quit my job after I got tired of complaining about things that wouldn't get fixed, and, after I complained particularly loudly, I finally got a 7 week unpaid vacation. In April, I started a new job in construction law, and it turns out that walking around a construction site in a pink hardhat is a sure-fire way to get a lot of attention. In August, I ended my 14 month marital experiment, ..... [Read More about Lynda](#)

**Spotlight: Jennifer West :** Becoming a class officer as a member of the nominating committee has been a great way to reconnect with my Mount Holyoke roots and classmates, and I would encourage anyone interested to get involved. [Read More about Jennifer](#)

**Spotlight: Lori Hendricks :** I'm thrilled to be serving the class in the capacity of chair of the nominating committee. It is important that we continue to involve new faces in the leadership of the class activities. New ideas, new energy, and new ambitions make for a highly engaging experience. I would expect no less from my peers. Drop me or any one of the members of the nominating committee a line to say, "Hey, I'd like to do something" Whatever your commitment level, we have ways for you to get involved with the class. Below is the official "professional bio" stuff...blah, blah, blah... [Read More about Lori](#)

 **Spotlight: Molly Schmitz :** Molly Schmitz here. I'm living in Portland, Oregon, with my husband of almost two years, Nate. We're the proud parents of a 21 lb cat named Big Kitty. I work for a non-profit called Saturday Academy (here's a link for anyone who's interested) and specifically help run a program that places high school students in summer science and engineering internships. [Read More about Molly](#)

 See two new cutie pie photos from Ari Stern!

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## The Class of 1992 Make a Splash in Business:

**Kate Gombos of Gombos Consulting, LLC** is proud to announce that we have accepted the 2004 Measure of Excellence Award, Superior Category, from the Virginia Society of Healthcare Marketing and Public Relations, for the Website she produced for Heritage Green Assisted Living Facilities. This represents Virginia state-wide recognition of her work. The winning website can be found at <http://www.HeritageGreenal.com> or visit us at <http://www.Gombos.com>.

**Camille (Guryansky) Scarborough**, freelance writer, editor and marketing consultant, is proud to announce her new Website. [Check it out!!](#)

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## The Class Officers Held a Conference Call in March.

Topics included class finances, Web/Internet, Fundraisers & Reunion, Nominating Committee, and an Officer's Retreat.

[Read the complete minutes.](#)

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## Deadline for the Alumnae Association Summer Quarterly is Here!

### Don't Miss Out!

The deadline for notes and news for the Spring issue of the Alumnae Quarterly is here!

Don't miss out. Submit your stories [online!](#) Deadline: May 10

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## The Alumnae Quarterly wants your input!

Looking for Alumnae Input for Future Quarterly Articles

The Alumnae Quarterly magazine is looking for alumnae to participate in the following feature articles:

1. "Bragging Rights": MHC alums tend to be a modest lot, try to force yourself to brag about what you do better than practically anyone else. It might be practical (how to organize your office/house/closet, make perfect bread, or how to negotiate a great deal on a car/trip); it might be silly, whimsical, or even "useless" (I can remember in which movies I've seen bit-part actors before, for example); it might be professional (perhaps you counsel the bereaved, help the homeless, teach couch potatoes to start exercising....) I am looking for alumnae to identify what several dozen alums do "better than practically anyone" and to give a short example or two for each person. The ultimate goal is to have both a list of alums' "bragging rights" and to extract from that advice useful for readers.
2. What MHC "artifact" do you have in your home? Whether it's the "lucky pen" with which you took all your finals, a gift from your elf, a costume from junior show, a pile of brick dust from Mary Lyon Hall or your graduation mortarboard's tassel, let us know what you have, why you kept it, and what it means to you today.
3. Global "outsourcing": This is the focus of both a Center for Global Initiatives conference (in Feb. '06) and a companion Quarterly article. If you've been affected by outsourcing in any way—as an executive who outsources, as an employee whose job was outsourced, as an academic who studies the topic, or as an international alum who was the recipient of a job outsourced from elsewhere—we want to hear from you.
4. Older moms: if you are, or know of, an alumna who had her first child relatively late in life, please let us know. If you adopted a child, had a biological child, or "acquired" one through marriage or partnership with someone else, you qualify.
5. Change-the-World Activism: MHC alumnae have always tried to change the world for the better. Who do you know who has done a lot—in any field, in any volunteer or professional role—to change the world in a positive way? Nominate yourself or someone else by sending a brief description of how the person is making a difference.
6. Tales from Study Abroad: Everyone who studies abroad comes back with tales of how the experience changed her view of herself, her country, and the broader world. Tell us your best story of your time studying abroad while at MHC, and let us know if you have photos to illustrate it.

Please send your ideas and information for any or all of these articles to:

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## Class Dues

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treasurer each month, and it sends you an immediate acknowledgement of your charitable contribution to the class.

Dues are \$25 for the current period (just \$5 for each year between our 10th & 15th reunions), but we're happy to accept contributions of any amount at any time.

What do your dues pay for? Our largest expense is always reunion, which dues help to cover. But in between reunion years, your dues pay for things like class newsletters and seed money for fundraisers. All funds raised by the class -- both through dues and fundraisers -- help to lower the cost of reunion for everyone in our class.

#### **Rather Send A Check?**

You can always pay your dues by personal check. Please make your check payable to "MHC Class of 1992" and mail it to:

Erin Ennis  
Class President  
109 C St SE Apt 1  
Washington, DC 20003.

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