The Mission of the
AUGSBURG COLLEGE ASSOCIATES
The Augsburg College Associations is a service auxiliary of volunteers whose mission includes fundraising for special projects and scholarships in support of the College.

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Am I Measuring Up?
Our stories rewrite the rules

May 9, 2015. A core planning team made up of members of the Associates and AWE (Augsburg Women Engaged) met several times this winter to discuss doing a second event following last year’s “Am I Measuring Up?” spring program. We had a lovely discussion about “telling our stories” and the various ways creativity takes place in women’s lives across generations or stages of life.

Four dynamic presenters will tell their stories at the next event, “Rewriting the Rules.” Shelby Andress will help attendees explore and share how media or art presents in our lives.

Kristen Eggerling ’89 – sociology major, freelance writer
Becky Shaheen ’11 – music major, lyricist, composer, singer, and bandleader
Kari Logan ’82 – drama major, marketing executive, writer and performer
Tara Sweeney – artist, Augsburg Art Department faculty

The event begins with registration at 9 a.m. followed by the program at 9:30 a.m. A delicious brunch will be offered mid-morning. The cost of this event is $25 per person. There is also an opportunity to sponsor a student for $23. Please invite friends and family to join you.

Watch for your invitation to attend this exciting brunch in May, or register now at fog.augsburg.edu/AlumniEvents. You may also call Becky Waggoner at 612-330-1085 to make your reservation.

Note: No valet parking or parking passes will be necessary, as commencement has already taken place.

Wanted - Estate Sale Coordinator
The Associates are looking for an estate sale coordinator to become part of a new team to manage our Augsburg Associates estate sales. If you are interested or know of someone who may be, please contact Lennore Bevis at 612-789-9458 or at lenbev@gmail.com.

Coming Events
May 9, 2015
AWE and Associates Spring Brunch
September 23, 2015
Fall Luncheon and Annual Meeting

In Memorium
Frank J. Rog, husband of long-time Associates’ member, Janet Rog, passed away on September 24, 2014. Frank and Janet’s daughter, Margaret, is a 1986 Augsburg graduate.

Caryl L. Larson passed away in November 2014. She and her husband, David, were faithful donors and supporters to Augsburg, and Caryl was a member of the Associates for many years.


Membership
We are having a strong membership year, one of our strongest ever with 106 members for the 2014-15 academic year. Thank you for joining us and believing in our commitment to provide scholarships to Augsburg students. Membership dues help to support the mission of the Augsburg Associates, and provide a foundation for our work.

The membership drive for 2015-16 will begin in June. Look for a mailer coming your way or contact Becky Waggoner at waggoner@augsburg.edu for a form. The membership form may also be found at augsburg.edu/alumni/volunteer in the Augsburg Associates section.
Celebrating 30 years of Service to Augsburg

It was wonderful to have so many of you in attendance for the 30-year anniversary celebration of the Augsburg Associates at our Fall Tea held during Homecoming Week. Our Mistress of Ceremonies, Marty Stortz, Bernhard M. Christensen Professor of Religion and Vocation, opened the celebration sharing her wisdom on the value of “Women in Service.”

The three founders, Gladys Strommen, Kate Anderson, and Stella Rosenquist were recognized for their vision in the establishment of the Associates, and for their continued support and involvement. Over the years, there were others who took leadership in fundraising efforts of the Associates. Fifteen of these women were also recognized.

Augsburg staff created a wonderful video celebrating the Associate’s 30 years of activities meaningfully recorded by the founders and others.

Through the efforts of the Associates, approximately $1 million was raised for projects such as the purchase of a pipe organ for theHoversten Chapel, renovation of several rooms in the Christensen Center, support for the Special Collections Room in Lindell Library, and the Aileen Cole Green Room in the Foss Center. Donations were given for the Adjunct Faculty Suite in the new Center for Science, Business, and Religion.

Student scholarships in the amount of nearly $120,000 has been a high priority for the Associates.

As stated recently in Augsburg Now magazine, on the 30th Celebration, “the Associates’ fellowship, fun-loving spirit and dedication to the College have remained true.” We truly look forward to continued involvement and service in the coming years.

Velkommen Jul 2014

The Augsburg community gathered again in December for the traditional Velkommen Jul event. This open house ushered in the advent season and occurs on the Friday of Advent Vespers weekend. Norwegian sweaters and traditional dress added color and authenticity to this Scandinavian-inspired buffet and boutique.

The buffet, a joint effort of the College and the Augsburg Associates, featured the usual lefse, Christmas breads, Norwegian waffles with cream and jam, cheese and crackers, rice pudding, krumkaka, kransekeke, and assorted sweets. Augsburg Associates were hosts and the Norwegian heart-shaped waffles were baked by students studying Norwegian.

The boutique, organized by the Associates, featured home-baked goods, Scandinavian gifts, and holiday decorations. Many students attended this year's event and efforts will be made next year to stock the boutique with more items for purchase. All proceeds go to the Associates’ Scholarship Fund.

The Annual Meeting of the Associates

President Lennore Bevis conducted the annual meeting which was held prior to the Celebration.

During the meeting, committee reports were given and Ruth Askov was thanked for her six years of service on the Associates’ Board. Sara Strom ’63 was elected to a three-year term and Shar Hauer and Grace Suierud were each elected to a 2nd term on the Board. Sara is married to William Strom ’64, is the mother of two adult children, has been a piano teacher, banker, class agent at Augsburg and is a piano and harp musician in her Hastings community.

We were pleased to recognize and thank, now retiring, Barb “Bunny” Larson for her six years serving as our Estate Sales Coordinator. Scholarship recipients of the Associates’ Scholarship Funds for 2014-13 were introduced.

Augsburg Associates Support Students

Cynthia Del Villar ’15, from Lakeville, Minn., is one of the Christensen Scholars supported by the Augsburg Associates this year. She is majoring in business administration and economics.

After graduation Del Villar would like to obtain a position in the corporate world, and go on to be an entrepreneur of a chain of beauty salons.

Outside of classes, Del Villar is an active participant in many of Augsburg’s clubs such as the Augsburg Business Organization and Augsburg Latin American Students. She also spends time managing her mother’s beauty salon so that she may gain the necessary skills and experiences needed to succeed in a business career after graduation.

Del Villar’s favorite thing about Augsburg is the welcoming atmosphere and tight-knit community, which in fact, was the deciding factor in her choosing this institution. She believes Augsburg has shaped her into a well-rounded woman with the necessary drive, professionalism, and confidence needed to succeed in the business world.

“I am fortunate enough to have been selected as a Scholar this year. Thank you very much for supporting us financially, because without it I would not be able to focus on my education!” — Cynthia Del Villar ’15

THANK YOU, ASSOCIATES!

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Cynthia L. Del Villar ’15, Lakeville, MN
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