

# Villa Maria Academy Parent Association (VMAPA)

## 2021-2022 Activities and Events

All events and more details can be found on the school website at [vmahs.org](http://vmahs.org) on the *Calendar*.

### REGISTER ONLINE

Registration for many events are required/requested and can be done on the *Calendar*. Please be courteous when registering for an event and be aware of RSVP deadlines.

### VOLUNTEER ONLINE

Many volunteers are needed to run so many wonderful events. We encourage you to get involved by donating your time and talent to help enrich your daughters' experience at VMA.

<https://www.vmahs.org/parents/parents-association/vmapa-volunteer-form/>

### New Parent Welcome

**Thursday, August 26th, 5:45 pm**

This event kicks off our school year. All new parents are invited to a light reception and information session held at Villa Maria. New parents get to meet and mingle with the parents of their daughter's classmates. A formal invitation will be sent out with an agenda for the evening.

Attendance is expected. Adult only event. *(Free Event)*

*Upper class parent volunteers needed.*

*Chairs: MJ Dougherty at [mdougherty@oldgloryam.com](mailto:mdougherty@oldgloryam.com) and Crista Ford at [cristaford@effconsulting.com](mailto:cristaford@effconsulting.com)*

### Back to School Social

**Sunday, September 12th, 10:00 am. Informational sessions and classroom visits.**

Welcome back to school, parents! This is your opportunity to walk in your daughters' shoes, meet teachers, visit classrooms, and learn about the VMA curriculum. Meet new friends and catch up with old.

Attendance is expected. Adult only event. *(Free Event)*

*Volunteers needed.*

*Chairs: Julia Bohnenberger at [bohnbenberger@verizon.net](mailto:bohnbenberger@verizon.net) and Megan Beck at [Megan.g.beck@gmail.com](mailto:Megan.g.beck@gmail.com)*

### Grandparents Day

**Saturday, TBD**

All freshman and sophomore grandparents are invited to campus for a Mass, light refreshments, and a tour of the campus with their granddaughters. It is a fun day to welcome our grandparents to the Villa campus and the Villa family. Our students take pride in showing their grandparents around campus!

Registration online is required. *(Free Event)*

Register Grandparents to receive invitations at <https://www.vmahs.org/parents/grandparent-relations/>

*Freshman parent volunteers needed as greeters and to serve refreshments.*

*Chair: Jenn Oschell at [joschell@vmahs.org](mailto:joschell@vmahs.org)*

### Fall Campus Decorating

**Week of September 20th**

Anne Powers will be decorating the campus for Fall Ball and Homecoming. Consider volunteering your time and talents!

*Chair: Anne Powers at [annepowers@verizon.net](mailto:annepowers@verizon.net)*

### Homecoming 2021

**Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am**

A reunion for the entire Villa family—students, alumnae, parents, and past parents! The day's events begin with sporting events—field hockey, soccer, tennis, and volleyball. Enjoy a barbecue and beer garden (21 and older), and music. Games and fun-filled activities will be provided for all the kids.

Registration online is required. *(Sponsored Event, tickets sold for beer garden)*

Volunteers needed to help decorate the campus the week prior to the event, setup, take down, and direct parking.

Chair: Monica Meilinger at [mmeilinger@vmahs.org](mailto:mmeilinger@vmahs.org)

Decorating Chair: Anne Powers at [annepowers@verizon.net](mailto:annepowers@verizon.net)

## Father/Daughter Cornhole Tournament

**Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 pm**

Planning is underway for a new event this year - the Father/Daughter Cornhole Tournament!

Details and more information coming soon.

Contact: MJ Dougherty at [mdougherty@oldgloryam.com](mailto:mdougherty@oldgloryam.com) and Lauren Machita at [lauren.machita@verizon.net](mailto:lauren.machita@verizon.net)

## Fashion Show

**Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 am**

The Fashion Show is a long-standing tradition at Villa Maria. This year's event will be held at White Manor Country Club and will highlight upcoming fashions modeled by our senior parents and students. There will be an auction and many vendors available for a quick shopping spree. Lunch included. Many volunteers are needed to make this event spectacular!

Registration online is required. (*Ticketed Event*)

Volunteers needed to gather gifts, model, check in guests, sell raffles, set up, and take down.

Chairs: Judy Wolfe at [judelinewolf@gmail.com](mailto:judelinewolf@gmail.com) and Stephanie McCollum at [stephmccollum@yahoo.com](mailto:stephmccollum@yahoo.com)

## Sneaker Collection

**Week of November 8<sup>th</sup>, Before School**

Donate your new or gently used shoes for a worthy cause! Students are asked to drop off donated shoes in the collection bins the week of November 8<sup>th</sup>. In exchange, they can wear their sneakers to school on Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. All styles of shoes, not just sneakers, there are new or gently used will be donated to Soles4Souls.

Volunteers needed to collect, sort, and distribute the collected sneakers.

Chairs: Cindy Chirillo at [puccini@verizon.net](mailto:puccini@verizon.net) and volunteers needed

## The Shoppes at Villa

**Saturday, November 13, 9:30 am to 2:30 pm**

Return to Green Tree for a shopping extravaganza or as a vendor. In its 11<sup>th</sup> year, the Shoppes offer beautiful gifts for your family and friends. Maybe you'll find a little something for yourself! This year there will be many new vendors as well as vendors you have loved in the past. The Shoppes is open to the public with FREE admission and is run by our Alumnae. Proceeds benefit the *Sister Mary Kelly Scholarship Fund*.

Chair: Jenn Oschell at [joschell@vmahs.org](mailto:joschell@vmahs.org)

## Christmas Campus Decorating

**Week of November 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Anne Powers will be decorating the campus for Christmas and will need the help of many Christmas elves to transform the school to brighten the halls for the holidays. Consider volunteering your time and talents!

Chair: Anne Powers at [annepowers@verizon.net](mailto:annepowers@verizon.net)

## Tree Lighting

**Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm**

Villa Maria opens the school's celebration of the Christmas season with the annual tree lighting. Students, staff, and family meet in the cafeteria with traditional carols. After hanging ornaments on the tree to represent each class, and lighting the first candle on the Advent wreath, the group will process out to the parking lot and gather around the evergreen tree out front. Girls read several brief reflections on the meaning of the Christmas tree and its lights before flipping the switch to light the tree for the first time. All adjourn to the cafeteria for refreshments. All are welcome and this is a free event.

Chairs: Anna Drummey at [abdrummey@yahoo.com](mailto:abdrummey@yahoo.com) and Jen Bauhaus at [Jbretz2001@yahoo.com](mailto:Jbretz2001@yahoo.com)

## Faculty Christmas Dinner

**Tuesday, December 21st**

To show our appreciation for their dedication and commitment to our daughters and Villa Maria Academy, the VMAPA hosts a relaxing dinner for our faculty and staff.

*Volunteers needed.*

*Chairs: Tara Elinski at [stelinski@comcast.net](mailto:stelinski@comcast.net) and **co-chair needed***

## Painting with a Villa Twist

**Thursday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm**

All parents are welcome to attend Painting with a Villa Twist on the campus of Villa Maria! We will also be collecting for a local charity. Come out during Catholic Schools week to catch up with friends, enjoy wine and cheese and work on your artistic expression. No painting experience necessary.

Registration required so supplies can be ordered in advance. *(Ticketed Event)*

*Chairs: Cheryl Arpa at [cmackey77@gmail.com](mailto:cmackey77@gmail.com) and Jennifer Brutsche at [jando1@verizon.net](mailto:jando1@verizon.net)*

## FEST 2022 (Fostering Educational Support Together)

**Saturday, March 12th, 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm**

FEST is Villa Maria Academy's largest event fundraiser of the year. This is an annual dinner dance and auction. Many hands are needed to make this a successful event. The FEST committee will be reaching out to local businesses, friends of Villa and current parents for gifts and sponsorships/ads. Villa Maria Academy thanks you for your support and participation in advance of this event. Come out and join the fun!

Registration required. *(Ticketed Event)*

*Volunteers needed.*

*Chairs: Laurie Falcon [laurie.falcon@gmail.com](mailto:laurie.falcon@gmail.com) and co-chair Maria Yacovelli at [maria2746@gmail.com](mailto:maria2746@gmail.com) and **co-chair needed***

## Mother-Daughter Communion Breakfast

**Sunday, May 1st, 10:00 am**

Mark your Calendars to attend the Mother Daughter Communion Mass and Breakfast! Mothers, daughters, aunts, sisters, and grandmothers come together to share a lovely tradition, celebrating Mass, and enjoying a bountiful Sunday breakfast together. The event takes place on campus with Mass beginning at 10:00 am followed by breakfast and festivities. Senior Mothers and their daughters will be honored at this year's event and wished a fond farewell as the seniors set off on their new adventure in their life's journey.

Registration is required. *(Ticketed Event)*

*Volunteers needed.*

*Chairs: Anna Drummey at [abdrummey@yahoo.com](mailto:abdrummey@yahoo.com) and MJ Dougherty at [mdougherty@oldgloryam.com](mailto:mdougherty@oldgloryam.com)*

## Class of 2026 Information Night

**May 18, 2022, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm**

The VMAPA welcomes the incoming freshman to Villa Maria Academy and offers them assistance in navigating VMAHS. This is an informational night for the incoming class of freshman students and their parents. We need a few volunteers to introduce the Villa Maria Academy Parent Association and our role here at Villa.

*Chairs: Jennifer Gentleman Rose (Admissions) at [jrose@vmahs.org](mailto:jrose@vmahs.org) and Maria Yacovelli at [maria2746@gmail.com](mailto:maria2746@gmail.com)*

## Uniform Sale

**June 2022**

All departing seniors are asked to donate their gently used uniforms back to Villa. They are resold to the underclassmen at a discounted price. The sale takes place in the school cafeteria.

*Volunteers needed to collect, sort, and distribute the collected uniforms.*

**Chair and co-chair needed**

## OTHER WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

### **The VMA Book Store**

The Villa Maria School Store is open for business in the Marian Center, offering Villa spirit wear, school supplies, balloons, snacks, and other fun Villa items like blankets and bags. Shoppers can also place online orders with *B&E Sportswear* (our online store).

Monday – Friday mornings: 7:20 am - 8:15 am

Monday – Thursday afternoons: 2:40 pm - 4:00 pm

Friday afternoon: 2:40 pm - 3:30 pm

The store will also be open during special events on campus.

*If you would like to volunteer for the Book Store, please contact Debbie Smith at [dsmith@vmahs.org](mailto:dsmith@vmahs.org).*

### **Wednesday Morning Rosary**

The VMAPA invites you to join with other parents to pray the Rosary on Wednesday mornings at 8:15 am in the Chapel. We pray for our daughters, the faculty, staff, administration, and all the families in the Villa Maria community. No experience necessary! We will provide the rosaries and the “How to ....”

*Chairs: Jeannine Peters at [lifewiththepeters@mac.com](mailto:lifewiththepeters@mac.com)*

### **VMA Class Parent Night Outs**

Take advantage of a chance to meet and get to know other parents from your daughter’s class in a fun and social setting! These will be advertised over the summer so that you can save the date!

**Senior Class, Date TBD**

*Contact: Volunteers needed*

**Junior Class, Date TBD**

*Contact: Cathy Moore at [patcathymoore@gmail.com](mailto:patcathymoore@gmail.com) & Gina Nugent at [gianna829@comcast.net](mailto:gianna829@comcast.net)*

**Sophomore Class, Date TBD**

*Contacts: MJ Dougherty at [mdougherty@oldgloryam.com](mailto:mdougherty@oldgloryam.com) & Heather Trebelev at [trebelev@comcast.net](mailto:trebelev@comcast.net)*

**Freshman Class, Date TBD**

*Contacts: Volunteers needed*

### **Villa Maria Academy Outreach Ministry**

VMA has a wonderful program in place to help families that need assistance due to unforeseen circumstances anytime throughout the year. We are here to help with meals, carpools, and above all, prayer. All correspondence is private. Private submissions or requests can be made online. God’s Peace. Online requests can be found under *Parents/Outreach Request* on our website.