

THE R-K CENTENNIAL SPEAKER SERIES

Dr. Isabel Pino, R-K Class of 1970

As part of R-K's Centennial year celebrations, Principal Judy Mohan and President S. Joan Andert, SSND, wanted to connect students to alumnae of leadership, service and faith through a speaker series. Once per quarter, an alumna joins the R-K school community for an extended advisory and speaks on her own experience of faith-filled leadership and service.

On Tuesday, October 11, 2011 R-K alumna Isabel Pino, MD ('70) shared her story of traveling from R-K, to a medical residency in New Jersey, and ultimately to the traveling medical clinic in Huntington, West Virginia.

"Depending on the day, my time at R-K either feels like it was yesterday or a lifetime ago," she laughs. "Although I moved away in the 1970s, St. Louis will always be my hometown. Rosati-Kain will always be my home – and there is no baseball team but the Cardinals!"

Dr. Pino attended the Universidad Central del Este, Dominican Republic (1980), with a residency at the Jersey City Medical Center and a fellowship in Ambulatory Pediatrics at Winthrop University Hospital, Mineola, NY.

In 1992 she joined her pediatrician brother in Huntington, WV to work in the health center and a mobile clinic that travels to rural areas. The clinic stops at schools, and treats students and their families. Dr. Pino works with the schools to teach nutrition, train Head Start workers, and help arrange for transportation for additional care if needed.

"There is a great need, but few resources," she reflects. The clinic has also begun working with local universities to provide mental health services to families. Working with Dr. Pino is a great training resource for future pediatricians. By treating a child in a rural area, away from a complete medical center or hospital, "they begin to see the child as a person, as part of a family," with social and economic realities that help contextualize the patient's case.

In 2004 Dr. Pino first traveled to Nicaragua in partnership with the North Parkersburg Baptist Church. Her work in South America has been similar to her time in West Virginia, since both are rural, economically distressed areas with great medical need.

The North Parkersburg church community sends dentists, optometrists, nurses and doctors to rural communities in the mountains in Nicaragua. The trip is now an annual event, which she credits with reviving her spirit and helping her reconnect her to her own commitment to healthcare.

During her time at R-K, Dr. Pino recalls: "I was opinionated. I could be loud. I shared by thoughts – whether people wanted to hear them or not!" Dr. Pino credits R-K for helping to channel, nurture and challenge her as a student.

"The Catholic idea of stewardship focuses on time, talent and treasure. When you tutor another student, or organize a fund raiser, you give a gift of your time. When you go Christmas caroling at a nursing home or help coach a Little League team, that's a gift of your talent. When you buy extra groceries and donate them to the food drive, that's a gift of your treasure."



Dr. Pino travels to a clinic in the mountains of Nicaragua.



Above left, villagers at the clinic in Nicaragua, center, Dr. Pino and a curious young patient, right, the mobile health clinic in West Virginia.

R-K WOMEN OF LEADERSHIP



Rosati-Kain High School senior Tayisah Pohtos has been appointed by Wm. Lacy Clay to the 1st Congressional Youth Cabinet of Missouri. She will be formally installed in a ceremony at St. Louis City Hall on October 28, 2011.



As part of October Day celebrations, a group of R-K students will participate in World Food Day at the Danforth Plant Science Center. Students volunteers will package meals for people facing critical food shortages in sub-Saharan Africa.

Students will learn about both short and long-term solutions to food shortages throughout the world.

Upcoming R-K Events!

Wednesday November 2, 2011
All Souls Day Memorial Service



Join alumnae and friends at the School Sisters of Notre Dame Mother House chapel for a special All Souls Day Memorial Service.

10:00 - Heritage presentation from SSND archivist, S. Carol Marie Wildt.

10:45 - Tour of the Motherhouse

11:30 - Memorial Prayer Service in the Chapel

12:00 - Lunch

1:00 - R-K guests are invited to join the Sisters for their annual All Souls Day Cemetery Prayer Service.

This is a free event, but space is limited. To join us, please R.S.V.P. to Debbie Rohrich-Tyler with the School Sisters of Notre Dame via email: ssndRDO@ssnd-sl.org or at (314) 633-7032.

December 9, 2011
R-K Christmas Premiere

Join us Friday, December 9, 2011 at Rosati-Kain High School for the Annual Christmas Premiere! Guests will enjoy a champagne reception, gourmet dinner and a concert performance by the R-K student musicians. Tickets are \$110 per person; tables of 8* are available for \$840, tables of 10* for \$1000. To make your reservation early, please print, fill out and send in the reservation form below.



R-K Christmas Premiere Reservation Form

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Number of Guests: _____

Please send a check payable to Rosati-Kain High School along with this form to:
Rosati-Kain High School, Attn: Christmas Premiere, 4389 Lindell Blvd. St. Louis,
MO 63108.

**For a full table, all reservations and checks must be submitted together.*

February 21, 2012
R-K Service Day

Join students and fellow alumnae at service sites throughout St. Louis, the U.S. and the world for a "Service Blitz" to celebrate the everyday impact of R-K women. R-K students will begin with a commissioning prayer service, then spend the day at service sites throughout the St. Louis area. All R-K alums are invited to join the Service Day and pray for one another, strengthening the R-K community. To find a service site in your area, or to get involved, contact the Advancement Office at (314) 533-8513.

SPECIAL INVITATION

ROSATI-KAIN HIGH SCHOOL'S 100TH BIRTHDAY PARTY

The Centennial Gala

THE ROSATI-KAIN HIGH SCHOOL **Charism Awards**

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

WHO: Rosati-Kain High School Alumnae.

WHAT: As part of the Centennial Celebrations, Rosati-Kain High School will honor women who exemplify the four qualities found on the school crest: Humility, Virtue, Knowledge and Charity.

WHEN & WHERE: Winners will be honored at the Centennial Gala at the Chase Park Plaza on March 10, 2012.

THE FOUR AWARDS (please choose one)

HUMILITAS: Nominees have a lifelong reputation for exhibiting humble hospitality and serving friends and neighbor with faith and compassion.

CARITAS: Nominees have lived lives of service to others with a commitment to family and faith.

VIRTUS: Nominees are women with "strength of soul" in living and working to serve one another.

SCIENTIA: Nominees possess both individual academic achievement and a commitment to the educational community.

To nominate an alumna, please visit www.rosati-kain.org and click on the "R-K 100" logo on the home page. On the main centennial page, please select "the Charism Awards" and fill out the online form.

We look forward to hearing from you!

SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2012
6:00 P.M.

THE KHORASSAN BALLROOM

Join us for a cocktail reception, dinner, the presentation of the Charism Awards, music and dancing!

R-K's Charism Awards will honor women who have lived each of the four facets of the R-K Charism: Humility, Charity, Knowledge and Virtue.

"Early Bird" Tickets: \$100 per person,
\$1,000 for a table of 10.

The "Early Bird" rate will be available through November 1, 2011. For more information, or to R.S.V.P. online, please visit www.rosati-kain.org and click on the "R-K 100" logo on the right side of the page.

★ *Black Tie Encouraged* ★

Join the planning committee!

To help ensure that this evening is a success, please consider helping plan, prepare for, and host R-K's 100th Birthday party! To add your name, please contact Elizabeth Henning at (314) 533-8513, ext. 213 or via email: ehenning@rosati-kain.org