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Alumnae E-News

Spring Speaker Series
Jasmine Ross '08
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On Thursday, May 19 Jasmine Ross will be the featured speaker at the Villa Alumnae Spring Speaker Series. This will begin at 10:25 am in the Villa theatre. All are welcome!

Jasmine lives in Newtown, PA and is the CEO of Cross Community, Inc (CCI), a non-profit that meets community and individual needs by providing opportunity for advancement, access to resources, and collaboration throughout the Greater Trenton Area. She graduated from New York University

in 2012 with a B.S. in Childhood and Special Education and then from the International Culinary Center where she received her certificate in Pastry Arts in 2017.

Jasmine opened her home bakery, *Baked by Jazz*, in 2020 and has been serving Mercer, Bucks, and Philadelphia counties ever since.

While Jasmine was in college, she began serving with the CDF Freedom Schools®, a free summer reading enrichment program which serves children across the nation. Over the last 14 years, Jasmine has held multiple positions in the program on both the local and national levels. She continues to serve with the CDF Freedom Schools as a national consultant and at the CCI Freedom School (which will be hosted at Villa Victoria Academy in 2022) as its Executive Director.

In the near future, Jasmine aims to open her own bakery in Trenton, NJ and to use it as a platform to serve the city's most vulnerable populations.

Outside of serving the Trenton community and baking, Jasmine enjoys singing with her church's praise team, event planning, reading, and traveling.

Villa Victoria Academy is excited to welcome Jasmine as our next alumnae speaker! All members of the Villa community are welcome to join us for this special event. Please enter through the main school doors.



**We are excited about our first
Villa Giving Day.
Tick tock!
We need your gift by midnight tonight!**

[Click here to GO AND GIVE!](#)



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GIVING DAY!

May 12-13 #GoAndGive

Watch this awesome video created by a current Villa student to see why you should GO and GIVE!

(running time one minute, 15 seconds!)

[Watch the video!](#)

Villa Girl Kate DeHaven '20

Congratulations to Kate who was one of the student athletes recognized at Immaculata University's athletic banquet. Kate is currently a member of the Swimming and Track and Field teams at Immaculata.

Kate will be visiting with Villa students during lunch on May 25th to discuss playing sports in college. She will be joined by Meghan Murtha '15 who is the assistant rowing coach at Cabrini University and Giavanna Cucarese '21 who plays club soccer and varsity rugby for the University of New Haven.



Photo from Kate's University Athletic Banquet. She received an award for the Atlantic East Conference Academic Team for Swimming.



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Would you like to be the Villa Rep for your class? Email Mrs. White [here](#). We need you!

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Villa Alumnae! **Would you like to walk with us?**

Villa's Chapter of the National Honor Society
is hosting a Walk-a-thon
to **Support Aids Orphans Rising**

The National Honor Society (NHS) will once again host a school-wide walk-a-thon to support the Religious Teachers Fillippini in their work with the

children of Ethiopia's Tigray region. The event will take place on Friday, May 20, 2022 at approximately 8:05 am on campus.

Sister Mary Beth Lloyd, who first brought the plight of the aids orphans to our attention, is an alumna of Villa Victoria Academy, Class of 1967. Read more about the efforts and situation surrounding the region [here](#). All alumnae are invited to join us on May 20 to walk or run with our students. Please arrive on campus by 8 am and gather in front of the theatre entrance.



Villa Girls with the NHS moderator Mrs. Yetman at the 2021 walk-a-thon.



hey villa grads!
do you have an update?
wedding?
job promotion?
new baby?
fill out the form below.

We would love to hear from
you!



Alumnae Update Questionnaire

The Villa Alumnae E-newsletter is produced twice per month during the school year and once per month in the summer for Villa alumnae, alumnae parents, current students, and other friends of Villa Victoria Academy. Any corrections, questions or news should be sent to cwhite@villavictoria.org.