

# Volume 94

## March 2023

### Alumnae E-News

#### Villa Grads joined us for the Musical

Top photo: Villa grads Mary Zsolway '18, Kate DeHaven '20, Leigh Machion '21 and Brianna Palmer '19 meet up with Sr. Raphael in the theatre.

Bottom photo: Villa grads Giovanna Cucarese '21, Emily Ordonez '21, Kate Chilton '21 and Jamie Mersel '22 catch up after the show.





## Save the Date! Villa's Bag Bingo is back!

Tickets (\$35) on sale later this month!  
Don't miss out on the event this year!

**Save the date!**



# **DESIGNER BAG BINGO**

Friday, June 23, 2023

6 – 10:00 PM

Villa Victoria Academy Gym

376 West Upper Ferry Road

Ewing, NJ 08628

**Tickets go on sale soon!**



## **Villa Grad presents Theatre Award again this year**

Villa grad Kim Trasatti Topper '05 was the director of this year's musical.

At the Sunday performance she presented the ***Newton R. Gilchrist Theater Scholarship Award*** to a deserving Villa student.

Kim is pictured here with former Villa musical director Newt Gilchrist and the winner of this year's award,

Villa student performer Rachel Corban '24.

This award is in honor of Mr. Gilchrist's decades-long dedication to the Villa Victoria performing arts program.



## **Rest in Peace Villa teacher Diana Gentile Ionata**

[Link to Obituary](#)



**Happy Saint Patrick's Day  
from Sr. Lillian Harrington  
and everyone at VVA!**

Have a safe and happy Saint Patrick's Day weekend.  
To send an Irish hello to Sr. Lillian you can email her [here](#).



## The Katherine Albe Shaftel '98 Memorial Scholarship

The Villa Class of 1998 has established a scholarship in loving memory of their classmate and friend Katherine Albe Shaftel. This scholarship will be given to an incoming student who gives back to her community through contributions in volunteering, fine arts, leadership, mentorship or being a good friend and ally to those in need. One award will be given per year.

Kate's life was short but left the world a better place. Her actions and presence filled the world with more light, love, and empathy. She is pictured below with her daughter Elena.

To contribute to this scholarship fund you can click on the online link below or send a check to VVA (address is 376. W. Upper Ferry Road, Ewing, NJ 08628 and indicate in the memo line Kate Albe Shaftel Scholarship). For more information contact the Villa class rep from 1998 [here](#).

Contribute to the fund online



## **Have you made your 2022-23 gift to the Villa Annual Fund?**

Thanks to all who have already donated  
to the 2022-23 VVA Annual Fund.  
We appreciate it!

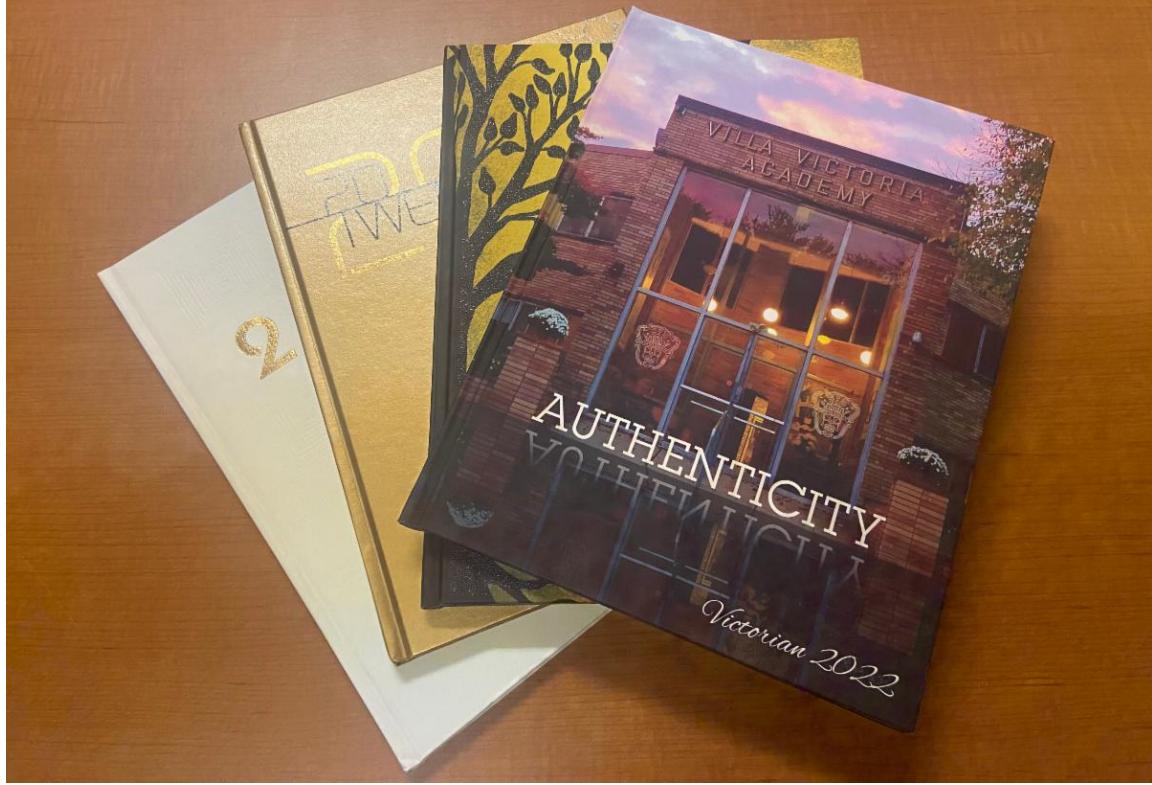
All gifts must be received by June 30, 2023  
to be counted for this Annual Fund year.

[Make an online donation](#)

## **Have you picked up your yearbook?**

Villa Girls from the classes of 2019,  
2020, 2021 and 2022:  
Did you pick up your Villa yearbook?

If you did not please email  
Mrs. White to schedule a pick-up time.



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-share your update now!



## We need Class Reps

Would you like to be the Villa Rep for your class? Email Colleen White [here](#). We need you! Thank you to those who have already responded.

## Connect on LinkedIn

Would you like to connect with your fellow Villa girls? Join our LinkedIn page [here](#).

## Follow us on Social Media

Follow us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)!

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