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## **Alumnae E-News**

#### Villa Grads joined us for the Alumnae Brunch

Top photo: Villa grads Elise Stankus '21 (playing clarinet in the orchestra), Kim Trasatti Topper '05 (Director/Choreographer) and Joanna Latini '11 (Keyboard 2 in the orchestra) stopped by the brunch before the Sunday show of

#### You're A Good Man Charlie Brown.

Middle photo: Villa grads from the 1960s and 1970s joined cast members at the brunch.

Bottom photo: Villa grads from the 1990s joined cast members at the brunch.

Next issue: Photos of grads from the 1980's and the 2000's who joined us for the Alumnae Brunch.

Special thanks to Devin Butchko '10 for chairing the Alumnae Brunch again this year.







# Tickets now on sale for Villa's Bag Bingo

Tickets (\$35) are now on sale for the Villa community.

A ticket includes 10 games of bingo, one sheet of Tier I tickets and coffee and dessert.

The event includes Lenox Silent Auction, 50/50, and an amazing basket auction. Bring your own food and drink (no alcohol per state regulations).

Don't miss out! Click on the link below, then click on events. The link to buy is in the events section.

Buy your tickets now!

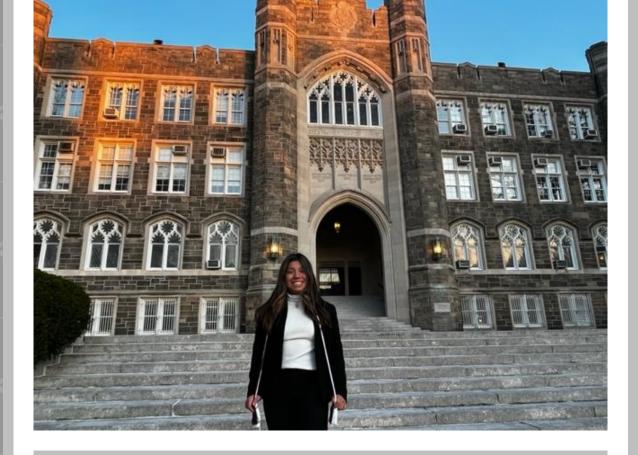


## Villa Grad selected for Prestigious Honor Society

Villa grad Emily Ordonez '21, a student at Fordham University, has been inducted as an Associate Member in Sigma Xi. Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Honor Society, is a highly prestigious, non-profit honor society for scientists and engineers.

Founded in 1886, membership in Sigma Xi is by invitation only. Members nominate others on the basis of their research achievements or potential. Sigma Xi goals aim to honor excellence in scientific investigation and encourage cooperation among researchers in all fields of science and engineering.

Emily is shown below receiving her cords at the Sigma Xi induction ceremony at Fordham University.



## Join us for the Living Stations at VVA

Tuesday, April 4 at 1:52 pm in the Villa theatre Use the main doors and sign in at the office.



#### We need Class Reps!

Would you like to be the Villa Rep for your class? Email Colleen White <u>here</u>. We need you! Thank you to those who have already responded.

## Scholarship opportunities for Villa girls pursuing higher education\*

#### ETS 2023 Scholarships Philanthropy I ETS CAAP

- The <u>ETS Presidential Scholarships for Historically Black</u>
  <u>Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Students (PDF)</u> are awarded to rising juniors or seniors enrolled in public and private HBCUs who demonstrate high academic achievement and financial need.
- The <u>ETS Cares Scholarships (PDF)</u> are 100% funded by donations from ETS employees for students who, despite facing considerable personal challenges, overcame and achieved academic excellence. More than \$1 million in scholarships have been awarded since the program's inception in 2011.
- The **Lenora M. Green Scholarship (PDF)** supports the educational goal of an undergraduate student who shows outstanding commitment to civic engagement along with a spirit of advocacy for serving individuals who have been systematically excluded.
- The **Dr. Lillian M. Lowery Scholarship (PDF)** supports a student pursuing a master's degree in education who embodies a spirit of commitment to furthering opportunities for all students.
- The **Robert (Bob) Moses Scholarship (PDF)** supports the educational goal of a graduate student from an underrepresented group who is pursuing a master's or doctoral degree in mathematics education or a STEM discipline.

\*this list was kindly provided to us by a Villa mom.

## 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.

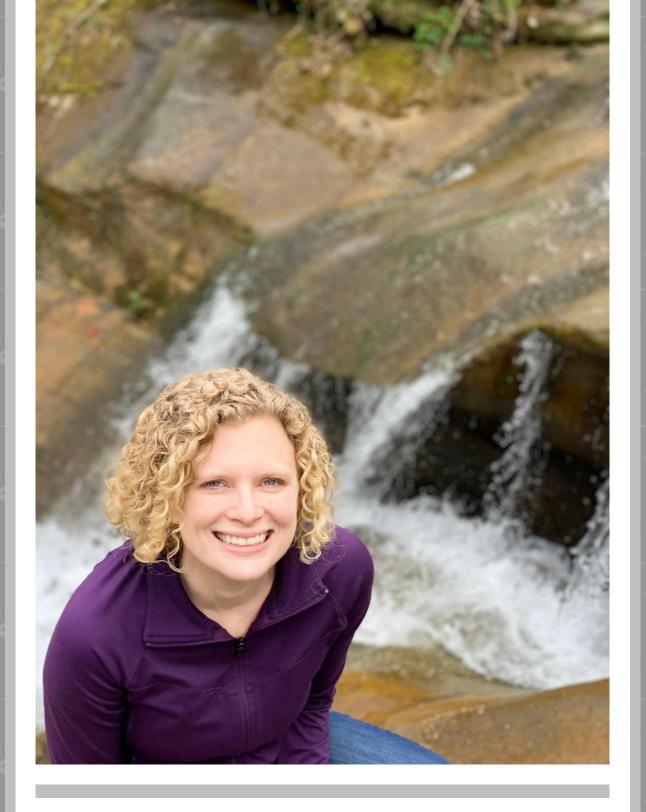
#### Make an online donation

## 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 a 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.

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 <u>here</u>.

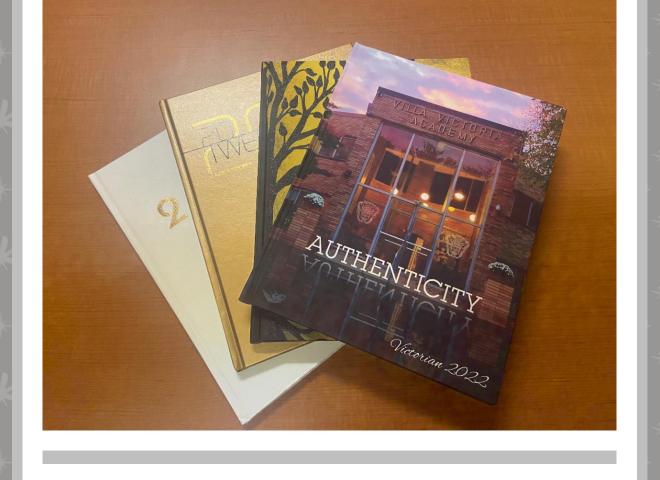
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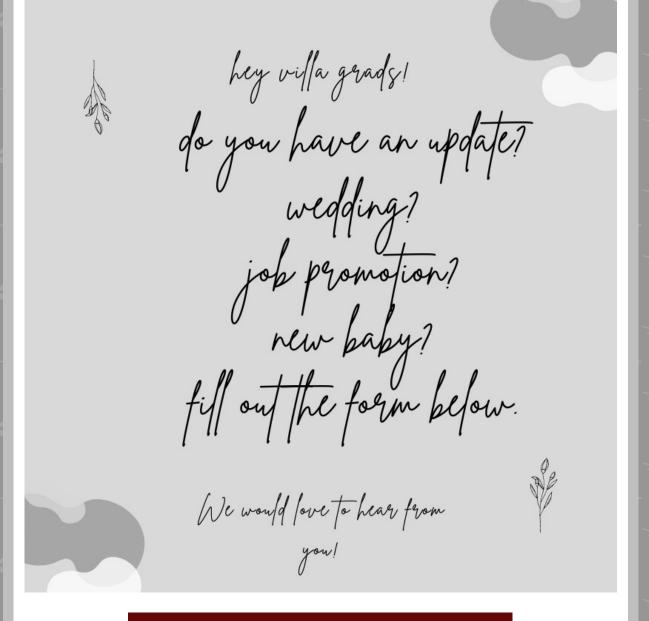


# Have you picked up your yearbook?

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.





Alumnae-share your update now!



#### Connect on LinkedIn

Would you like to connect with your fellow Villa girls? Join our LinkedIn page <u>here</u>.

#### Follow us on Social Media

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