



# NEWSLETTER

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## EDITO

### Alone, we go faster, Together, we go further!

**A**s I am about to finish this last newsletter of our 2018-2022 mandate, I am reminded of this beautiful maxim, which our friends from ANASC in Egypt have taken as their motto: "Alone we go faster, together we go further!"

Yes, often, with my dear Alicia, who is responsible for our Newsletter and whom I second quite imperfectly, we regretted that so few presidents give us news of their national associations, as our statutes assign them the duty to do (do we need to remind them once again?).

Of course, it is not always easy to present a sometimes disappointing report on our initiatives or activities, especially at a time when meetings and gatherings have been cancelled due to the Covid pandemic.

Some leaders may also think that what they are experiencing cannot be of any benefit to others, as no situation is comparable. An association of a few dozen "ageing" members, from a country where there are no more Sacred Heart schools, does not have the same possibilities of action as one with hundreds of members or more. There are countries where the alumni are not all Christians, there are countries where the links with the nuns are still very strong, others where they are not...



It is not a question here of competing with each other in the field of commitment or service. It is simply about maintaining our friendship, and making our differences a value to be shared.

It is this unity in our diversity, so characteristic of our great Sacred Heart family, that is our pride and strength, and we must preserve it at all costs.

It is in this way that we will go further together and will, in our humble measure, work for peace in our world, which is in such need of it.

Marie-Pascale de Drouas

# **BRASIL**

## **ANASC-BRASIL**

### **ACTIVITY REPORT**

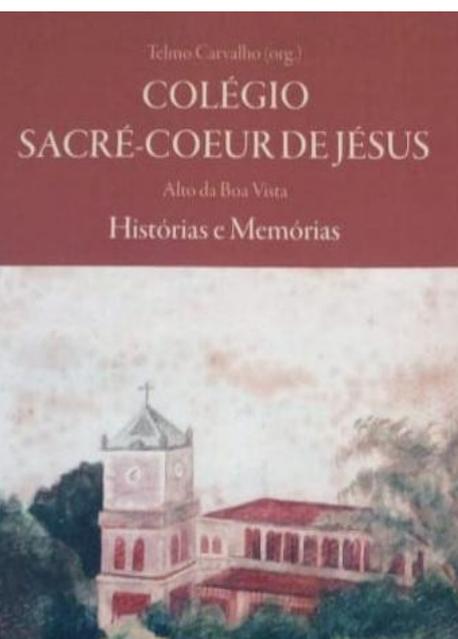
#### **2020/2021/2022**

**D**ue to the uncertainties that ANASC-BRASIL has been experiencing since the beginning of the pandemic, we have not been able to promote face-to-face events in the last three years.

During 2020 and 2021 we are working on overcoming challenges and obstacles every day, especially by promoting campaigns inviting Associates to pay the annual fee and make donations, with the aim of continuing our social actions.

#### **ACTIVITIES FROM JANUARY TO AUGUST 2022**

##### **Book "Histórias e Memórias do Colégio Sacré-Coeur de Jésus - Alto da Boa Vista".**



In 2022, already envisaging a possible solution to the pandemic problem, on the initiative of our Councillor Solange Wiltgen and with the support of ANASC-BRASIL, we launched the book "Stories and Memories of the Sacred Heart College - Alto da Boa Vista", which narrates, through many articles and photos, the life in the boarding school. They are

pages of fond memories, funny stories and a lot of reflection.

On January 15th, ANASC-BRASIL promoted a meeting for the delivery of the books. The event took place at the old Alto da Boa Vista College and it was a precious moment, where the spirit of

aggregation involved everyone. The launching of this book made the Alumnae extremely enthusiastic.



**Celebration of the feast of St. Madeleine Sophie.**

On May 25th we celebrated our foundress Madeleine Sophie. It was the first face-to-face meeting after two years of separation. The celebration had the character of a reunion and was a wonderful moment of friendship and joy.

##### **Volunteer work "Berço de Mater" (Mater's Cradle)**



Our voluntary work of making clothes for needy mothers, which are sent to the "Clinicas de Família" (Family Clinics) in poor communities, continues to progress very well.

ANASC-BRASIL Team

# BELGIUM

## ANASC Report 2018-2022



**T**he ANASC has lived on the back burner in recent years due to illness and Covid-19.

However, in 2018, the Mass of Mater was celebrated by the very inspired and young abbot Thierry Moser, formerly of Sacred Heart of Jette. A great "Sacred snack" brought together nearly 200 people, nuns, alumni, directors and teachers in an atmosphere of open friendship!



In 2019, on the initiative of Sophie Buntinx, choirmaster of the Sacred Heart of Jette, and thanks to the efficient collaboration of the different components of the "Sacred Heart Family" and was full: old and new choirs, nuns, parents, school directors, teachers and pupils, all were delighted!

October 2022: during the General Assembly, a new and young team was presented and unanimously elected!

Quentin Merny, President, Christine Lizon and Thierry Bouillon have many ideas to ensure the future of ANASC. They will expand their team and set up committees where various actors will be involved on an ad hoc basis.

Their projects are not lacking: ANASC, a de facto association, will become a non-profit association with legal personality, the quarterly En Famille will be revived, the identity and the foundations of the "Sacred Heart Family" will be developed, collaboration between schools will be encouraged, international contacts will be multiplied, including in the schools, and a website independent of the schools will be created!

Let us wish the new team, which is taking over the torch of ANASC, an institution that is more than half a century old, good luck!

Yours sincerely,

Jacqueline de Montjoye  
ANASC President 2006-2022



*From L to R: Anne Sterkmans and Jacqueline de Montjoye from the old board, Quentin Merny, Thierry Bouillon and Christine Lizon from the new board*

# FRANCE

## UFASC Report 2022

In 2022, UFASC continued to help elderly sisters and alumnae in difficulty as much as it could, by calling them on the phone or visiting them. It also maintained its financial support to the rscj community in Paris and to the Spiritual Centre of Joigny, which welcomes alumni from all over the world in the birthplace of the Foundress of the Sacred Heart, and made donations to the children of the Philippines and to the small school of Bougoudang in Chad.

Some meetings were organised, as described below

### UFASC annual lunch



After two years of interruption due to the Covid epidemic, our association was finally able to bring together again nearly a hundred alumni and friends on 28 March for its Friendship Day. A delicious lunch was prepared by the chefs of Châtenay-Malabry, the last Sacred Heart school in the Paris region. This was followed by a lecture on the poet, playwright and diplomat Paul Claudel (1868-1955), given by one of his grandsons, the husband of an alumnus.

### Spring outing

Since the opening of the UFASC in 2021, to teachers or members of the schools who have sometimes served the Society of the Sacred Heart for several decades, the UFASC wished that the alumni and their new friends could get to know each other better. This was done during a very successful outing to the Paris region on 16 May, during which the 20 participants were able to exchange ideas and discover together a beautiful work by the famous architect Le Corbusier and visit the house of Zola (1840-1902), one of the most popular French novelists.

### Feast of Saint Madeleine-Sophie in the church of Saint François Xavier

On the occasion of our foundress' feast day, nuns, friends and alumnae met on Friday 24 June for a mass in the church of Saint François Xavier, where the hunt of Saint Madeleine-Sophie is located from June 2009. A nice little cocktail party was then held in the magnificent gardens of the Bishopric of Paris.



### General Assembly

Finally, the UFASC will have its General Assembly on 16 and 17 November, during which the 4-year mandate of the current team should be renewed.

Laurence Galinowski  
UFASC President

# EGYPT

## ANASC-EGYPT Report 2022



*Members of ANASC, with their president Sr Céleste Kayat*



*Alumnae stand at a school fair*



*Festivities in Ahbab Allah, with Hayley Harmouch on the right*

The ANASC-Egypt group is a gathering of alumnae from the two major Sacred Heart schools in Cairo, Heliopolis and Ghamra, who are committed to coming together to serve their schools and community and to support the mission of the Sacred Heart Sisters in Egypt.

In addition to a third school for boys and girls in Abu Korkas, which stops before the last three years of secondary level, the rscjs have also created a centre for mentally handicapped pupils "Ahbab Allah" ("Loved by God") in Cairo, annexed to the school of Heliopolis, they run a dispensary in Samalout, and, in Upper Egypt, they have opened a kindergarden, a home for handicapped children and a centre for the advancement of women in Bayadeya.

Every year, various events and outings are organised by the alumni to create links between them and to raise funds for their charities, mainly related to the rscj but also to support other projects: sick children, Sudanese refugees...

Unfortunately, after two years of total stop of all our activities because of COVID, we could only resume some of our usual activities:

- . The management of the school canteen of Ahbab Allah, our school for handicapped youth which has just reopened.

- . The organisation of stalls with products made by the alumnae during the fairs of our two schools in Cairo for the benefit of some of our works and those which the sisters in Upper Egypt take care of for the sick, widows, orphans and, in general, for the most vulnerable families

- . A facebook page, "Noyau ANASCE" where we exchange news of our schools, of our alumnae or sometimes post applications for vacant positions

- . A choir to celebrate certain events concerning our sisters or the school and even the marriage of an alumna. For example, a few months ago, we led the funeral mass of one of our senior sisters, Sr Brahamcha, at the school.

Hayley Harmouch  
Vice President of ANASC-Egypt

# INDIA

## SCESA Report 2021 - 2022

**P**ost the lockdown period, the SCESA office has been under renovation. The temporary office allotted to SCESA had poor network and SCESA operations were limited in their number and nature. Unfortunately, since December 2021 we have temporarily closed the SCESA office. We hope to resume once our office premises are renovated.

However, despite all the challenges, SCESA continued to persevere as best as it could by connecting new members, continuing with its activities on digital platforms and sending online greetings from time to time.

### SCESA OUTREACH

#### **E-Teach Program in Nareshwadi-Dahanu**

SCESA has been supporting a rural education project that involves teaching English to students of Grades I to IV of vernacular schools. Since 2018, SCESA sponsors the services of a coordinator who works with schools in the district in the state of Maharashtra. The students at these schools are at a disadvantage because they cannot speak or understand English. The Bombay Community Public Trust [BCPT] was implementing the English E-Teach program in various schools in Mumbai and rural villages of Maharashtra. Ms. Nirupa Bhangar, also a committee member, shortlisted Nareshwadi as the place where SCESA can implement the program.

Even though the pandemic brought the E-Teach activities to a standstill, online classes began in January 2021. In the meantime, BCPT could not continue with the program as their donors withdrew. However, SCESA was keen on continuing with the



*Educational support in local schools*

program. Our new partner in the program was Ananda Care Trust. We continued to sponsor a coordinator from January to December 2021.

#### **Sugar and Spice**

Our Sugar and Spice group has stayed connected on the digital platform. All participants share interesting information, anecdotes, artwork, and positive messages.

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# NEW ZEALAND

## Baradene Alumnae Association



In July, the Alumnae Association held our Annual General Meeting, and thank you to those who attended online and in person.

We are excited for another year of alumnae business ahead and particularly for the upcoming 2022 Alumnae Meritae Award High Tea event on 30 October at Baradene. This year, we honour the exceptional Mary Louise Browne as our 2022 Alumnae Meritae Award recipient. Be sure to get a ticket and come along to this fantastic high tea that is a real highlight on the alumnae calendar. More details on how to purchase tickets to come.

We are thrilled to welcome a new Treasurer onto our committee, Hannah Brady (Class of 2011). We thank Christie Fan for her work as Treasurer for the past year, and wish her well on her overseas work and travels. We also wish Natalie Thomas all the best as she departs from our committee after many years of dedicated service and positive spirit at events. If you are interested in joining our committee of wonderful alumnae and getting more involved in the alumnae activities of Baradene, please get in touch with us at [alumnae@baradene.school.nz](mailto:alumnae@baradene.school.nz) – we would love to connect!

### **Five-Year Reunion: Class of 2017**

May saw a fantastic Five-Year Reunion of the Class of 2017 take place. It was a bustling, energetic, wonderful evening with a great opportunity for reconnection and nostalgia. The Cor Unum spirit was richly on display with these fabulous young alumnae, and hosting them at Baradene was a privilege for the Alumnae Committee. Hearing of their adventures, achievements, and aspirations in their time since attending Baradene was engaging and insightful. It's great to have these alumnae come back to the College to share with us and gather with peers and teachers.

Alice Gallagher,  
President of the Baradene Alumnae Association

# I R E L A N D

## AMASC-Ireland Report 2022

**A**MASC is a vibrant and committed community of alumnae of schools of the rscj.

Post Covid, AMASC Ireland resumed its in-person activities as an active Committee with our members representing the various Sacred Heart schools in Ireland.

AMASC has a coffee morning on the second Saturday of every month in the Sophie Barat Residence. These coffee mornings may be attended by any Sacred Heart past pupil and are highly successful; many of our rscj attend also. A big thank-you to all our Committee members and volunteers who give of their time and baking skills to make these coffee mornings such a success. A big thank-you also to Hilda O'Connell who last May hosted a lovely tea party in her home to thank Joanne Sheehan for all her work as Chair of AMASC.

Frances Meenan took over as Chair following a well-attended annual general meeting in April 2022. So many attended from all our schools to include two friends who left school over seventy-five years ago. The friendships you make in our schools are enduring.

A film club is also held in a local cinema on the second Wednesday of every month.

All these activities proceed throughout the year. There are also three new members of the AMASC committee so that we have the "manpower" to undertake all our activities.



*Alumnae lunch at Sacred Heart in Mount Anville*

AMASC is arranging a visit to Joigny in May 2023. It is hoped that there will be a visit to a beautiful garden belonging to a past pupil and our gardening correspondent for our Newsletter in spring 2023. Arrangements are to be made for a day retreat with the Jesuits in the Manresa Retreat Centre in Dublin in November 2022.

These arrangements are in addition to social activities for our committee who work so hard during the year. A supper for all our committee is in the process of being arranged by Aine Carson



Mount Anville youth fundraise with alumnae

Torsney is a member of our committee and undertakes significant work on behalf of past pupils. MAPPA organises past pupil reunions and debutantes balls for the graduates of Mount Anville. On 16 September 2022, MAPPA hosted a major fundraising lunch in Dublin with some 320 past pupils of all our schools in attendance. Not only was this lunch a major social success and reunion but it also was a significant fundraiser for the Sacred Heart Benevolent Fund. As of late September 2022, some €30,000 has been raised (and counting) following the raffle at the lunch, the proceeds of which were for the Benevolent Fund. A member of our committee, Perdita Quinlan completed her 40<sup>th</sup> Women’s Mini-Marathon in June 2022 as a fundraiser for the Benevolent Fund. The Chair of the Benevolent Fund, Rosalie Crimmins undertakes sterling work in assisting past pupils of our Sacred Heart schools who may need assistance whether it be financial or otherwise; this assistance is undertaken in a



The Benevolent Fund Committee

confidential manner.

Tennyson in Mount Anville House in spring 2023 following a three-year absence.

The Sophie Barat Residence chaired by Jean FitzGerald is thriving and has a Ukrainian family also living there; the Residence is set beautiful gardens.

Perdita Quinlan will be the AMASC Ireland representative at the AMASC meeting in Naples in October 2022.

We are ably assisted in all our activities by Julie Hamilton in the MAPPA office.

A Newsletter is delivered to all members twice a year and there is also a fortnightly E-zine (online) which provides information on all activities as provided by past pupils to include AMASC activities.

The assistance and ongoing support of the members of the rscj is acknowledged with much gratitude.

AMASC has strong connections with the Mount Anville Past Pupils Association (MAPPA). Christine

Frances Meenan  
Chair – Ireland  
23 September 2022

# J A P A N

## JASH Report

**J**apan made the brave decision to host the Olympic Games, another new step for the world in spite of Covid-19 disaster. Congratulations to all the Sacred Heart graduate Olympians and Paralympians who represented five countries in TOKYO 2020. You are resilient and strong; you are Sacred Heart!



The alumnae in Japan have not been able to do much because of Covid-19 other than to update our website so as to increase opportunities for members to communicate more often and easily.

Among new entries, the column of RSCJs' mottoes has helped JASH members very much in such hard days. To quote from one of the entries: "*Life is a*

*mystery. We discover the meaning of life and the mystery of life not through solving problems but living them.*"

We have also collected many reports from JASH members living abroad. A graduate working as a medical intern wrote about the Covid-19 situation in New York. Both of these new columns have united JASH members and allowed us to share our experiences and thoughts about life.

The slogan for TOKYO 2020 was "*United by Emotion*" and the theme for the closing ceremony was "*World We Share.*" The whole world is faced with problems of unheard-of dimensions. Now is the time for us to be united, share our difficulties and struggle against our invisible enemy. Let us cherish this life that God has given to us.

Itsuko E Nakagome  
JASH Vice president  
(april 2018 - march 2022)

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**N**ow, it's 2022. Though Covid is not history yet throughout Japan, we are trying to move forward.

The University Alumnae Committee had bravely decided to hold their annual festival once again.

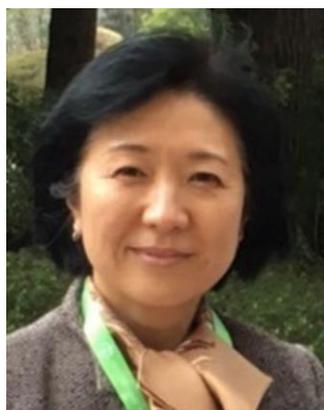


JASH Board Members (April 2018 - March 2022): Bottom centre: Former President Naoko Murakami

The number of people were restricted and of course, masks were essential, but the alumnae were overjoyed at the chance of visiting the school , shopping and meeting their old friends.

This success certainly inspired the other committees to re-start many of the events that had to be postponed.

JASH is proud to announce two projects that began during the Covid crisis.



Keiko Lauria, new President of JASH

Our study group arranged an online discussion event which was edited into a booklet/video program and distributed to JASH members via our website.

JASH-AMASC (Younger Generation) committee had launched their first interview program, titled 'To Live

*My Life, My Way'*, and will continue it as a series.

We still cannot predict the day when we can throw away our masks and return to our daily life.

We were given a very tough assignment, but I am confident that there lies a better future.

With the encouragement of all the Sacred Heart alumnae, we will move on.

Junko Yoshikawa  
Current JASH vice president

# MEXICO

## EXASAC-MEXICO Report September 2021- August 2022

**A**t the National level we had activities focused on strengthening ties with the alumni, with the schools and with our religious through different means of communication in response to the new variants of Covid-19 and looking for face-to-face meetings in the different cities.

how united they felt thanks to Mater. Spirituality topics are also shared on social networks.

The nuns invited me to participate in the closing mass of the Special Chapter from Guadalajara in December on behalf of the alumni.

We had a national meeting of presidents and executive teams for Zoom in March 2022, with two main themes: to encourage all the organizations in the different cities to hold face-to-face meetings and the transmission to the alumnae and alumni of the conclusions of the Special Chapter of the rscj and how to prepare ourselves for what the Society is inviting us to do in these times.

With the rscj we maintained and improved the relationship, we participated in the meetings of diffusion of the Special Chapter, we carried out a campaign of diffusion and collection of one of the works of popular education of the religious in Mexico called lyolosiwa.

Efforts have been made to continue united as a community in each of the cities and at the national level and to have better communication with the schools, their activities, and with the religious and their projects in Mexico. The communication of Exasac Nacional through Facebook and Instagram has been constant, with an important number of followers that has grown during the last year. We have shared reflections,

In the field of spirituality, we had a virtual reflection upon Mater last October. This talk was directed by Chelo Armida rscj and was transmitted from Guadalajara by Zoom. Alumnae from Mexico City, Monterrey, Guadalajara, San Luis Potosi, Pueblay and several other cities in and out of Mexico participated. Several of the alumnae commented on



news of the religious, both nationally and globally, of the schools, JPIC, etc.

In the cities where there are still schools, the activities and relationship with them were strengthened with the participation of some joint celebrations, support to families with scholarships or temporary help, improving communication with the directors to coordinate projects and celebrations and the outgoing generations of the schools were received as new members of Exasac.



*EXASAC places great importance on helping each other to students or alumnae in difficulty*

The social networks of the city teams have greatly supported the dissemination of events and news from each community.

In the cities where there are alumnae groups but no schools, they have met for spiritual growth, fellowship and support in difficult times.

The activities were very limited in order to collect resources for the works of the sisters, alumnae and students with economic needs. The Mutual Aid teams have been very creative in finding funding

mainly through sales of clothing or second hand items or recurring donations.

Opportunities for face-to-face fellowship, such as St. Madeleine Sophie's Day or Sacred Heart Day, have been achieved.

There has been an important search for alumnae who can continue with the work of the teams, but there is little response. There is apathy and little interest in participating. More alumnae and young alumnae are joining for specific activities and in some cases we have supported their projects and they participate in the board of directors.

Both in Monterrey and in San Luis Potosi the "Pilgrim MTA" program was implemented, sharing a picture of the Blessed Mother with the families for a week.

The challenges continue to be finding people who are committed to the association to work for a period of time in a constant manner, the collection of dues and other fundraising programs, and maintaining good communication with the schools, the religious and among the different exasac teams, strengthening the sense of belonging.

# UGANDA

## UASHA Report 2022

### UASHA ELECTS A NEW BOARD AT ITS 6TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



**O**n July 30, 2022, the Uganda Association of the Sacred Heart Alumnae (UASHA) elected a new Executive Council at its 6th Annual General Assembly (AGM) that was held at the FOCOLARE Community Centre, Kampala, Uganda.

The AGM was attended by thirty-seven (37) members drawn from the Sacred Heart chain of schools in Uganda St Charles Lwanga Kalungu Girls Training Centre, Kangole Girls' Senior Secondary School and Sacred Heart Primary School, Kyamusansala. The Superior, Uganda/Kenya Province, Rev Sr Anna Maria Nankusu, and the

UASHA coordinator, Rev.Sr Noeline Namusisi were in attendance.

The outgoing President of UASHA, Ms. Betty Ogiel explained the purpose of the association and provided a status update of the key accomplishments from the outgoing executive. In her brief, she laid out the achievements of the association in the past four years of their mandate including successful virtual empowerment talks

due to covid pandemic that hindered physical interactions. The first talk was held on 23rd of May 2020 and it was convened to provide emotional support and coping techniques to members during the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic. The period of the pandemic was characterized by lockdown and movement restrictions, and loss of income for some members. The talk encouraged members to start new business ventures and being a support pillar to those that lost loved ones to the pandemic.

During the AGM, Ms.Ogiel highlighted other achievements, including school visits to Kyamusansala on 15th June 2019; KangoleGirls'Ss on 25th June 2022 that were all successful and called upon the incoming executive to uphold them., This is in addition to the different UASHA networking events that were held on 8th September 2018 at Mbuya Convent of the rscjs, and 17th November 2018 at Ggabaconvent to mark the celebration of the feast of St Rose Philippine Duchesne.

Ms. Ogiel, outlined the challenges her executive council faced during their tenure, especially the COVID-19 pandemic that affected most of the planned activities, disrupted livelihoods of

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members; slowed members' response to requests and most importantly limited physical interaction and financial resource mobilization which is essential to the success of the association. In her concluding remarks, she appreciated the continued support from RSCJs towards UASHA activities, President Emeritus Hermine for the love and numerous support, Ms. Rosemary Namukasa Ssembajjwe AMASC Africa Regional Coordinator for her coordination role at the region. She also thanked the FOCOLARE Community Centre, Mbuya for providing the AGM venue.

Later on, election of the new team was conducted, and, Dr. Sylvia Namubiru Mukasa was voted unopposed as president of UASHA with other members for next four years. Dr Sylvia thanked the AGM for the vote of confidence towards her and her team, and pledged a servant and inclusive leadership throughout their mandate while growing the association by translating its goals and objectives into meaningful activities.

With support from the RSCJ committee, Dr Sylvia promised that the newly elected executive will continue working closely with AMASC regional and international leadership. She reiterated that

she will work towards consolidating the gains from the previous executives, including mobilizing more members and ensuring relevant activities are implemented to make UASHA vibrant and relevant nationally and internationally, through the Umbrella organization, AMASC.

The Provincial Superior, Sr Anna Maria Nankusu, in her closing remark called upon alumnae to remain united, and uphold the values of the Society of Sacred Heart of Jesus as they offer a service in various spheres of life.



Dr Sylvia Namubiru Mukasa  
UASHA President

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# CHAD

## ANASC - CHAD Report 2022

### THE SACRED HEART HIGH SCHOOL IN N'DJAMENA CELEBRATES ITS 100% SUCCESS RATE IN THE 2022 END-OF-YEAR EXAMS.

*It was through a mass of thanksgiving and a great concert of goodbye that the students, the educational community and the alumni of the Sacred Heart High School praised and thanked God for all the wonders that God has done in the life of this high school of reference in Chad. It was an opportunity to say goodbye to the final year students who will now embrace higher education.*

**T**he Sacred Heart High school of N'Djamena, faithful to its mission of promoting excellence, did not deviate from the rule for the year 2021-2022. All the candidates presented by the school for the end-of-year exams, namely the Brevet d'Etude

Fondamentale (BEF) and the baccalaureate, passed without any difficulty.

It is a tradition for the school to have a 100% success rate in national exams over the last five years. This makes it one of the best high schools in the country.

The year 2021-2022 ended with a mass of thanksgiving celebrated on 6 August 2022 in the Sacred Heart parish of Chagoua, followed by a big concert on Sunday 7 August 2022, presented by the dynamic choir of the school. It is in the presence of parents, friends, acquaintances, former students and the teaching staff without forgetting the community of the Sacred Heart nuns that voices were raised to thank the Lord for the strength, courage, health and intelligence



## LYCEE SACRE-COEUR *Organise*



### MESSE D'ACTION DE GRACE & GRAND CONCERT D'AUREVOIR 2022

📍 *Paroisse Sacre-coeur de Chagoua*

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2022  
08H00



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*Paroisse Sacre-coeur, S<sup>te</sup> Josephine Bakhita,  
EET N° 09 et EET N° 34*

*"Au Lycée Sacré-Coeur, nous promouvons les valeurs de la paix et de l'excellence"*

that animated all the actors of the educational system of this high school.

ANASC was present to welcome the 93 new baccalaureate holders who are now members of the association.

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### **ANASC-TCHAD BRINGS ITS SUPPORT TO SAINT CHARLES LWANGA UNIVERSITY**



*Created on December 28, 2018 in Sarh in the southern zone, the Saint Charles Lwanga Catholic University, co-founded by ANASC-Chad and alumni of other Catholic institutions, presented its first graduates last September.*

**O**n September 22, 2022, 38 students from the first promotion of the Saint Charles Lwanga University obtained their bachelor degree in the following fields: Economic and Management Sciences, Legal and Political Sciences, Mathematics-Physics and Electrical and Computer Engineering.

The objective of this University, which aims to be a pole of excellence for the training of future executives in Central Africa, is to offer a quality university education to young Chadians whose parents cannot afford to send them to foreign universities. This training, based on Catholic values, is open to graduates of all religious denominations.

As an association of the Catholic Education, co-founder of the institution, ANASC-TCHAD actively participates in its activities and is well represented in its various bodies.

However, the logistical and human resources challenges it faces remain enormous. This is what motivated the organisation of a thanksgiving and fundraising mass on 4 June 2022, whose committee was led by Sr Juliette N'Guémta, Rscj and member of ANASC.

This mass, which was presided over by Mgr Goetbé Djitangar, Archbishop of N'Djamena, raised a sum of 9,068,050 CFA francs (about 13,800 Euros). It will help this brand new university to meet its most pressing needs.

This is also the place to make an appeal to all those of good will who want to lend a hand to achieve this initiative of former students from Catholic education in Chad.

Dr Ndingadnan Otongar  
ANASC-Chad President

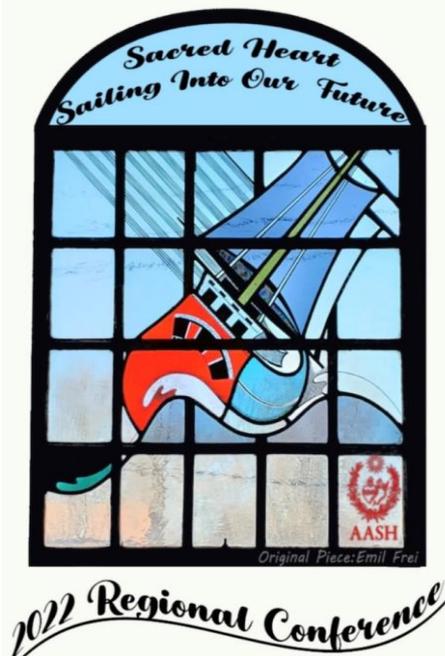
# USA

## AASH Report 2022

**A**ASH has been involved in many projects during this biennium in order to communicate and unite with our alumni, rscj, and friends. We are excited that we have been able to do more in-person events now that Covid pandemic is slowing down.

### AASH Regional Zoom Meeting - 19 October 2022

This Zoom meeting will share alumni and school news from all four regions in the USA; East, West, Central and South. It will have an educational component that will share news about the rscj Associates groups.

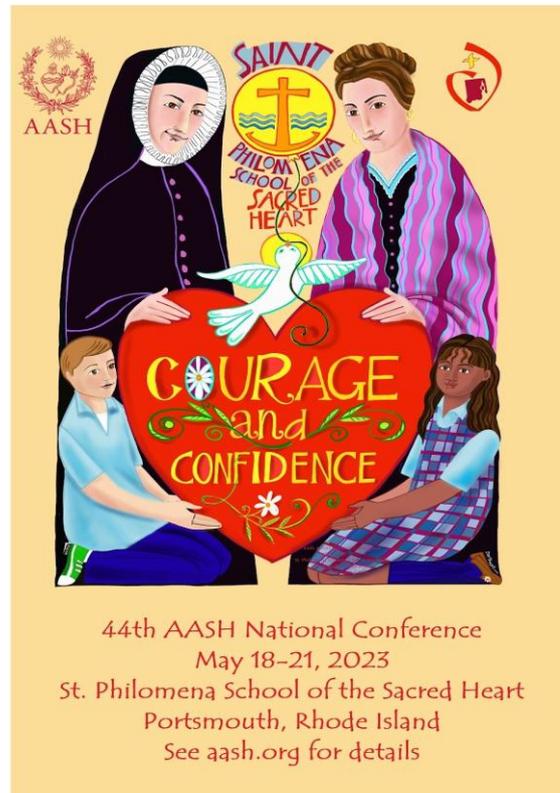


As described in the rscj website :

*« Association is a spiritual renewal process that helps us develop a closer relationship with Christ and with one another. Those accepted for association may make a formal commitment in the presence of other Associates and RSCJ. This commitment is for one year and can be renewed ».*

<https://rscj.org/associates/become-an-associate>

### AASH 44th National Conference - 18-20 May 2023 in Portsmouth, Rhode Island



Please come to our National Conference!  
Registration [www.aash.org](http://www.aash.org).

We are honored and blessed that St. Philomena, <https://www.saintphilomena.org/> a new Sacred Heart school in the network, will host our National Conference! At the conference, we will honor the old Elmhurst school that closed, and the new St. Philomena School.

The old Elmhurst school is a historic mansion or chateau in Portsmouth, Rhode Island that is now called the Glen Manor House [www.glenmanorhouse.com](http://www.glenmanorhouse.com).

At Glen Manor, we will honor the Elmhurst alumni and rscj with hors d'oeuvres and a cocktail *soirée*. At St. Philomena School we will celebrate our French heritage with *gouter* and a *vin d'honneur* with St. Philomena Head of School, past and new AASH Board members, AMASC past and present members, Cor Unum recipients, rscj, and honored St. Philomena School guests.

### **AASH Ambassador - Deborah Dunham**

This new AASH Board position is held by Deborah Dunham, who serves as a liaison for AASH, CASHA, and AMASC. We enjoy hearing updates and stories from Deborah's travels as she visits the rscj in their retirement communities, and the Canadian alumni group CASHA up in Halifax.. One of Deborah's exciting fundraising events was her 325 mile bicycle ride on the Katy Trail where the Potawatomi Indians traveled. The Potawatomi knew St. Philippine Duchesne as *the woman who always prays*. Deborah rode from St. Charles, Missouri to Sugar Creek, Kansas. She initiated this very successful fundraising event for The Old St. Ferdinand Shrine, where Philippine established the first school. <https://www.oldstferdinandshrine.com/>

### **AASH Heritage Travel Trips**

We have been organizing special Sacred Heart heritage travel trips that alumni and friends can take for a historic holiday/vacation to see where Sophie and Philippine lived and traveled in France, and the USA. Early planning discussions with the French National Alumni Association have been initiated, but Covid has affected this progress. We will be starting the inaugural trip in the USA in St. Louis, Missouri during the next AASH biennium. The trips will be posted on the AASH website when they are formally organized.

### **New AASH Legacy Project**

AASH has initiated a new video project that will be capturing the theme of *courage and confidence* that we learned from the lives of Sophie and Philippine. Film producer, and AASH Past President, Rosalie Bellanca Possileus will be filming in Europe and the USA. Rosalie shares *"The film will illustrate the qualities of courage and confidence in Sacred Heart education and as tenets of our lived Mission. Conceptual undertones will echo the ideals of providence, zeal, unity, compassion, excellence, independence and hope. It will be presented in "chapters." Chapters will represent past, present, and future timelines."*



Rhonda Meegan  
AASH President

# CUBA - USA

## Report 2022

**T**he Sacred Heart Alumnae Association of Cuba/USA financially assisted the Sacred Heart religious in Poland in their assistance to the refugees of the war in Ukraine, maintaining our international ties.

We continue to give annual support to our Sisters in Cuba by sending them medicines and basic first aid for the so-called "bedridden" who are cared for by young volunteer boys. The 80 elderly people that the nuns provide breakfast for enjoyed the milk powder that was sent to them.

"The satisfaction of helping the needy and the pride of seeing our Sisters following the mission of Madeleine Sophie in different ways is like the 'multiplication of the loaves'," commented Dolores Kindelan, our President.

This year we will celebrate our annual meeting on Mater Admirabilis Day in Carrollton with a Mass and luncheon. It is very gratifying for our Association, which is decreasing in numbers because of the years (class of 1960), to continue to be united with the youth of our Miami campus as well as to be part of the National Association of the United States (AASH) and our international AMASC family, for in unity there is strength!

Alicia Moreyra



# AGENDA



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<https://www.amasc-sacrecoeur.net>

to be informed of the programme  
and the time of the screenings or  
retransmissions  
which will be available  
**from Saturday 29 October**  
by activating the box specially dedicated  
to the AMASC GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
located on the home page

**Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 October 2022  
in Naples**

## **GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF AMASC**

Due to the cancellation of the AMASC Congress  
to which the alumni of the Sacred Heart are  
invited every 4 years  
from all over the world

Only the Presidents of the National Associations,  
members of AMASC,  
and/or their delegates,  
as well as the candidates  
for the future Board of Directors  
will participate in this meeting

The main sequences of this meeting  
will be broadcast on the AMASC website