

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE

LOYALTY AWARD 2018

PRESENTED TO



*Karen Kelly Taggart '68*

**KAREN KELLY TAGGART, CLASS OF 1968**, the Alumnae Association of Mount Holyoke College is pleased to honor you with the Loyalty Award. This award is presented to an alumna who has demonstrated exceptional loyalty to the Alumnae Association and/or College through her consistent effort and active involvement over an extended period of time in at least one area of service. Volunteer effort may be on behalf of classes, clubs, global regions, groups, the Alumnae Association, or the College.

Karen, since your time as a student, you have been known for your ability to bring people together around a piano. A classmate and longtime friend says of you: “She just starts playing these songs, and she’s like a magnet. People begin to sing and laugh.” You’ve continued to play the piano—and the important role of connector—in your forty years as a club, class, advancement, and Alumnae Association volunteer. In addition to being a two-time head class agent, you were cochair of your twenty-fifth reunion and are now a member of 1968’s reunion lead gift committee. Your extensive service also includes two terms on the Classes and Reunions Committee.

A classmate describes you as “very present in the life of the class.” Indeed, after a catastrophic fire destroyed your house, you did not miss a beat, joining your classmates for an on-campus meeting to continue planning your fiftieth reunion. Whether you’re gathering people around a piano or at a mini-reunion, as another classmate says, “Karen helps keep the spirit of the class going.”

KAREN, for your exceptional loyalty, it is with great pleasure and sincere thanks and appreciation that we present you with the Loyalty Award on this, your fiftieth, reunion.

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