

Our Lady of Mercy Announcement

Our Lady of Mercy Academy has created the Dr. Aldona Woś '73 Scholarship in recognition of a \$300,000 donation from the Louis DeJoy and Aldona Woś Family Foundation (DeJoy\Woś Foundation). The scholarship will be awarded on an annual basis.



"We are thankful for the DeJoy\Woś Foundation contribution as part of our ongoing **Towering to New Heights - Fortifying Our Legacy** capital campaign," said Pat Dilollo, Director of Advancement at Our Lady of Mercy Academy. "In addition to strengthening scholarships for young Catholic women, the \$8 million capital campaign will address multiple needs at the Academy, a sizable expansion of the present endowment, establishing a science/pre-med capstone program, expanding current art offerings, the renovation of Kieran Hall and Lyons Den, enhancements to the school auditorium and advanced facilities for technology and the visual and performing arts."

Dr. Aldona Woś, a 1973 graduate of Our Lady of Mercy Academy, is a retired internal medicine and pulmonary medicine physician. In 2003, the President appointed Dr. Woś to be the U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia, and she held the position through 2006. She served as the Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Health of Human Services from 2013 to 2015. In May 2017, the President appointed Dr. Woś as the vice-chair of the President's Commission on White House Fellowship, a prestigious leadership, and public service program.

"I deeply value the education I received at Our Lady of Mercy Academy and am proud the DeJoy\Woś Foundation can support its ongoing mission," said Woś. "Our foundation has a rich tradition of supporting initiatives for higher education institutions such as Duke University, Elon University, and the Institute of World Politics, as well as schools such as Episcopal High School in Alexandria, VA, and the Primary Education Center at St. Pius X in Greensboro, NC.

Our Lady of Mercy Academy (OLMA), a Sisters of Mercy sponsored school, is located in Syosset, New York, and is a leading Catholic all-girls secondary education option in the county. For over 93 years, OLMA has had a proud history of superior education for aspiring young Catholic women. For more information, please visit campaign.olma.org.

For more information about the DeJoy\Woś Foundation, please visit <http://louisdejoyandaldonawosfamilyfoundation.com/>

To learn more about the Towering to New Heights – Fortifying Our Legacy Campaign, please click here.