

## **CNR Legacy Council Update**

The first Legacy Council meeting of the year was held on September 20<sup>th</sup>.

An opening prayer offered by Mary Ann Marriott was followed by Chief Advancement Officer Bernadette Wade's report from Institutional Advancement. Bernadette announced that the next annual Mercy College Trustees' Scholarship Gala will be held on May 4, 2023.

Upcoming Legacy Council meetings will be held in January, March, and May. On December 10 there will be a holiday brunch at Moller House for both the CNR Legacy Council and the Mercy Alumni Council.

Plans for Reunion, to be held on June 9 -10, 2023, are underway. Events include a BBQ at Moller House on Friday evening, a celebration lunch on Saturday, and a dinner on Saturday evening.

On Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, the inaugural event of the Sr. Dorothy Ann Kelly, O.S.U. Lifelong Enrichment Series was held at Mercy College. The event, entitled "Universal Loss and Grief," was also livestreamed. Carol Bodensteiner Corliss SAS '75, author of [\*Yanking Bittersweet: Stories of Widows Coming to Terms with Grief\*](#), was joined on the panel by Catherine Bell Kempthorne SAS '75, and Mary Ellen Foster McEvily SAS '65. In addition to sharing their own personal experiences with the audience, the panelists explored topics around loss, and the various forms that loss can take, as well as common grief reactions, and helpful coping mechanisms. Reflections on hope, trust, and healing were also shared.

For those not able to attend on October 22<sup>nd</sup>, or for those who wish to revisit this event, the recording and accompanying materials can be found [HERE](#).

Through sponsorship of this lifelong enrichment program, the CNR Legacy Council is striving to keep the spirit of CNR alive among our alumni by paying tribute to the legacy of Sister Dorothy Ann Kelly.

Planning for the next event, to be held in the spring, will commence in the coming weeks. If anyone has any ideas for future events, please share them in an email to [CNRAumni@mercy.edu](mailto:CNRAumni@mercy.edu).