Background of the Alice Wright Franzke Feminist Award

The Award was established by the St. Mary’s Women’s Caucus in March 1990 to commemorate the life and works of Alice Franzke, PhD, a professor in the Sociology Department at St. Mary’s University from 1982 until 1989. Dr. Franzke was an inspirational model of feminist activism and civic engagement who embodied a commitment to justice and peace. The Award honors members of the St. Mary’s University community who promote peace, empowerment, civic engagement, cooperation, equality, and respect of all persons.

The award commemorates Alice Franzke’s energy and work with women, civil rights, and civic involvement. Dr. Franzke was the Coordinator of the Peace and Justice Minor program, the Moderator of the student peace group, and a founding member of the President’s Peace Commission. Together with 39 other St. Mary’s University women, she co-founded the Women’s Caucus on March 28, 1989. She represented St. Mary’s on the San Antonio Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW), was a tireless advocate for Non-Traditional Students at St. Mary’s, and was active with the Bexar Women’s Political Caucus. Franzke was inducted as a Scholar into the Academy of St. Mary’s University in 1989.

Eligibility:
Any past or present member of the St. Mary’s University community, student, faculty, staff or administrator, who promotes peace, empowerment, civic engagement, cooperation, equality, and respect of all persons, is eligible for nomination.

Selection Criteria:
- Demonstrates commitment to efforts to increase gender equity and empowerment within and/or outside the University.
- Actively engaged in efforts to promote justice and peace locally, regionally, or globally.
- Considered an exemplary role model of civic engagement. Works in a collaborative manner that respects diverse people and traditions.

Awarded by the
Women’s History Month Committee
St. Mary’s University
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Honoring St. Mary’s University community members who promote peace, empowerment, civic engagement, cooperation, equality, and respect of all persons

Alice Wright Franzke
Thursday, March 1, 2018
4:00 PM
Sarita Kenedy East Law Library, Alumni Room
St. Mary’s University
Awards Program

Welcome
Aaron Tyler, PhD, Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs

Invocation
Sister Gabrielle Bibeau , F.M.I.

Alice Franzke Non-Traditional Student Scholarship Awards
Sonia Garcia, Ph.D. & 2008 Franzke Feminist Award Recipient
- Amanda Rodriguez
- Alex Valdez

Alice Franzke Feminist Award Recipients
- Jocelyn Baca (undergraduate student)
- Irene Chavez (graduate student)
- Magdalena Salazar, administrative assistant for the Department of Political Science (staff)
- Sharon K. Garcia, Ph.D. (alumna)
- Kathleen M. Gallagher, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Graduate International Relations (faculty)

NEVERTHELESS SHE PERSISTED: Honoring Women Who Fight All Forms of Discrimination Against Women
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