

THE 2008 SR. MADELEINE OF JESUS HONOREES

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The Rivier College Alumni Association Council has announced that two alumnae will receive the Sr. Madeleine of Jesus Award this year: **Sr. Theresa Lawrence, p.m. '57** and **Claudette Durocher '63**. They will be recognized during a reunion awards luncheon on June 14, 2008.

Sr. Theresa Lawrence chaired Rivier's Business Department for 20 years, from 1972-1992. Under her direction, business was the largest program on campus. She continues to serve as an advisor to the Business Department, as well as a technical assistant at Regina Library and Sacristan at Resurrection Chapel. She taught for more than 51 years, including 28 years at Rivier. She has been involved with numerous religious and professional service organizations throughout her career, and continues to participate long past the age at which most people retire. "Sr. Theresa exemplifies the values Rivier College attempts to teach its students. She not only lives these values, she has passed them on to countless numbers of her students and colleagues as well," wrote one of her nominators.

Claudette Durocher has served her community through her 44-year career as a writer, photographer and editor for *The Telegraph*. In this role, she has helped members of the public understand complex issues that affected them personally. As editorial page editor, she moderated debate and guided dialog on many of these issues, ensuring that readers saw different perspectives and could make informed decisions. In addition to a leader in her community and profession, she has been a loyal alumna, supporting Rivier consistently through the years. The Durocher family has a long history with the College. Her sister, Claire '64, and her niece, Melissa '98, are also graduates.

The Sr. Madeleine of Jesus Award is the Rivier College Alumni Association's highest honor. It was established in 1974 to recognize the College's foundress and celebrate the accomplishments of Rivier graduates who have demonstrated outstanding service to their communities, their professions, and their alma mater. ■

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