



ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE  
ALUMNAE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD 2012

*Presented to*  
Dr. Ellen Bachman Mendelson '62



DR. ELLEN BACHMAN MENDELSON, class of 1962, we honor you today with the Alumnae Achievement Award. This award is presented to alumnae whose accomplishments and service to society exemplify the values and virtues set forth by the College.

We honor you for several decades worth of contributions to the field of radiology, particularly as applied to cancer screenings and treatment in women.

Long after your Mount Holyoke graduation, you followed family tradition and earned a medical degree. You specialized in radiology, working first at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago, where a mentor remembers you as “a star in the making—bright, intense, dedicated, and focused.”

At Western Pennsylvania Hospital in Pittsburgh, you helped establish both a successful residency program and a fellowship in breast and women’s imaging. Returning in 2001 to Northwestern’s medical school, you became a professor of radiology, where you direct the Breast Imaging Section and Fellowship Program in Breast and Women’s Imaging. Last year, the university honored you with an endowed position in medical education.

More than seventy publications document your contributions to advances in imaging, including digital mammography, ultrasound, MRI, and interventional procedures for diagnosis and treatment of cancer in women. Your scholarship and teaching continue to enlighten medical students and physicians about the best available diagnostic technologies for their patients.

Ellen, your work reflects the highest values of the College, and the Alumnae Association is honored to present you, on your fiftieth reunion, with the Achievement Award.

Cynthia L. Reed '80  
President  
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