## ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE ALUMNAE LOYALTY AWARD 2013





The Alumnae Association of Mount Holyoke College is pleased to honor **DÉSIRÉE GORDON BRUGGEMAN**, **CLASS OF 1988**, with the Loyalty Award. You have helped the College and the Alumnae Association by generously dedicating your time, talents, and resources to the fulfillment of our mission and our enduring values. Your contributions to your club and to the alumnae community have been outstanding. For your loyalty and devotion over the years, we are deeply grateful.

You have continuously held several important roles in the Cincinnati Club, such as young alumnae chair, treasurer, club president, and board member-at-large. One club member describes you as a hard worker who has been "especially effective in working behind the scenes to make things happen." Another club leader feels you have been particularly instrumental in keeping the club going during one especially challenging period. One of the projects you are most noted for is your work to make the winter dinner, a long-time club tradition, a great success when you created and managed a special fundraising project to restore an art print. Your initiative and management are viewed by your club colleagues as key to the dinner's success. You have also been especially committed to keeping older alumnae in the area connected to the club and to Mount Holyoke, which has benefitted club members of all ages.

Désirée, you have embodied Mary Lyon's expectation when she said, "Let one efficient lady, in almost any place, either alone or with one or two to aid her, commence the work with decision, and with perseverance carry it through, and it will be done!" It is with great pleasure and sincere thanks and appreciation that we present you with the Alumnae Association Loyalty Award on this, your twenty-fifth reunion.

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