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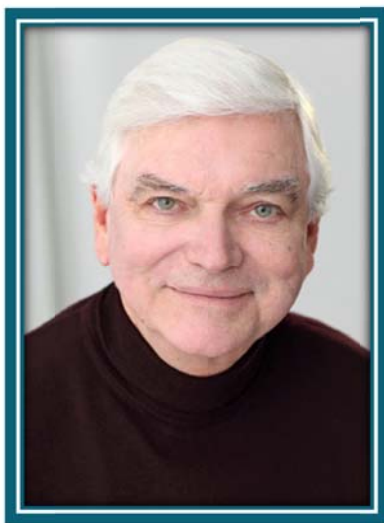
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James Bell

2016 IHM Sisters Celebration Guest Speaker

Jim Bell and his seven younger siblings grew up just across College Street from the IHM motherhouse. He was taught under the direction of the IHMs at Marywood Seminary and St. Paul's. He later graduated from Scranton Prep, Holy Cross College, and University of Pennsylvania Law School.



After a judicial clerkship served on the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, Jim joined GE as a corporate counsel. He worked with GE as both employee and independent counsel/negotiator for almost 40 years with a stint in between as VP and then President of Scranton-based Patrick Media Group (PMG) in which GE had invested. The PMG opportunity enabled Jim to return "home" where he lived on North Webster Avenue in the Hill Section with his wife Rosemary and the last two of their six children, Annie & Mary Grace.

When PMG was sold and relocated, Jim returned to GE where much of his subsequent work time was spent overseas in the negotiation of large-scale international power generation projects.

Jim was actively engaged in Scranton area community service serving on several boards, including the Scranton Area Foundation Board of Governors, the Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce board where he was actively involved in the creation of the "Skills in Scranton" initiative and was Chairman of its Basic Education Committee, the Scranton Community Concert Association, the Marywood College Continuing Education Advisory board, and the Scranton Prep Alumni Board of Governors.

When home in Scranton between international assignments, Jim often made it a point to seek sustenance at Dougherty's "Café Americaine" on Capouse Avenue for both bodily and intellectual nourishment. In 2003, Jim and Rosemary moved to Naples, Florida; however, they now reside in New York City where they moved to be closer to their six children and 16 grandchildren.

Jim Bell credits any of his later educational success as well as his life-long intellectual curiosity and love of learning both to the solid academic foundation instilled by the IHMs as well as to the personal affirmation and encouragement of many of his IHM teachers.