

LA ROCHE UNIVERSITY 2022 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI CIRCLE AWARD RECIPIENT



Regina (Gina) Miller '77, M.Ed. Executive Director, Alumni Relations (Retired) La Roche University

Gina Miller '77, M.Ed., enjoyed a robust tenure and decades-long relationship with her alma mater.

As La Roche University's Executive Director of Alumni Relations, she was charged with developing a comprehensive program to engage graduates living domestically and abroad. During this time Ms. Miller reinvigorated La Roche's Alumni Homecoming

Weekend, an annual celebration which attracted graduates from across the country and around the world, and reunited them with former and current professors, classmates and administration. In addition, she hosted alumni receptions around the country, expanded the alumni reception at the Festival of Lights, hosted numerous seminars and information session for alumni on various topics, launched the multi-generational Legacy Society, and kicked off La Roche's custom Pennsylvania license plate program.

Ms. Miller said she thanks everyone who participated in the various alumni programs during her tenure. "Alumni involvement made our events successful," she explained.

Throughout her career in higher education, Ms. Miller held the following positions: Director of Enrollment Management for Penn State University - Beaver Campus, Regional Marketing and Training Director for Penn State University, and Admissions Counselor for the Office of Graduate Studies & Adult Education at La Roche.

"I had the good fortune to return to La Roche and work in transfer admissions, and later in Alumni Relations at the end of my professional career," she said. "My career had come full circle, and I was back where I started. I always said it was like coming home, but the campus looked different."

A resident of Zelienople, Pennsylvania, Ms. Miller serves her local community as a docent and lifelong member of the Zelienople Historical Society, a volunteer at the Strand Theater and a docent for the Cranberry Township Historical Society. Her volunteer work also has included service to Riding for the Handicapped of Western Pennsylvania and the Stonehouse Farm Equestrian Center.

Ms. Miller earned a Bachelor of Arts in psychology/sociology from La Roche in 1977. She obtained a Master of Education in counselor education from the University of Pittsburgh in 1980.

"La Roche is where I grew up and found my self-confidence," she said. "It was a great fortune to be able to work in Alumni Relations at my alma mater, where I already knew many alumni, faculty and administrators."

