ANUJA DE SILVA, PHD, CLASS OF 2004, the Alumnae Association of Mount Holyoke College is pleased to honor you with the Young Alumna Volunteer Leadership Award. Presented to a young alumna who has demonstrated strong leadership, consistent effort over time, and active involvement in one or more areas of service, this award recognizes individuals who have made meaningful contributions to the Association or the College.

As a club officer in the Mount Holyoke Club of Westchester and an admission representative, you have been instrumental in keeping the College in the minds and hearts of alumnae and potential students. As a Book Award sponsor, you’ve worked with high school counselors and take a real interest in matching the students with their books. You have organized events for young women in your county, including “elfing” recently accepted high school seniors with acceptance roses. These efforts have engaged local alumnae and created strong ties between Mount Holyoke College and the community. In addition to your club responsibilities, you are actively involved as a class agent and recently cohosted a mini-reunion in New York City.

Your club colleagues and classmates describe you as organized, involved, talented, and fabulous. You care deeply about the image and reputation of Mount Holyoke, and you do your best to ensure that your actions reflect well on our alma mater.

Anuja, you have embodied Mary Lyon’s expectation when she said, “Turn your current of feeling towards others and it will reach out in a thousand streams.” It is with great pleasure and sincere thanks and appreciation that we present you with the Young Alumnae Volunteer Leadership Award on this, your tenth reunion.