



**REUNION DAY 2022**

**CLASS OF 1957**

**CELEBRATING 65 YEARS**

Class of 1957 ----- 2<sup>nd</sup> Year



Reunion Day 2007  
Joan Robinson '57 Sister Mary Daniel '47



Mary Zahn, Colleen Moore, Pat LaFlamme, Marg Donnelly  
in the Spiritual Garden 2007



Pat LaFlamme'57, Winnifred Walker'47, Eileen Hunter'47





**Florence Davis**



**Colleen Moore**



**Marie Garlow, Beulah Fries**



**Sandra Stawiany, Eleanor Trutwin,  
Theresa Verbickas**



**Helen Walsh, Marilyn Rebbeck,  
Norma Bell**



**Carol Cote**



**Sandra Stawiany**

**Florence Davis '57 Carole Cote '57  
Colleen Moore '57 Sandra Stawiany '57  
Published in the Hamilton Spectator Christmas 1954**



**Concetta Savino, Marg Herron**



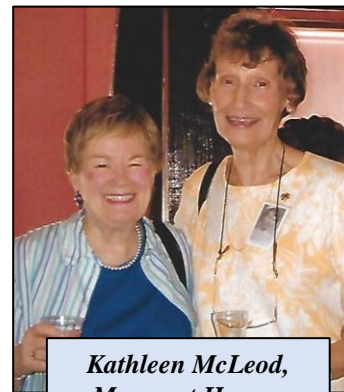
**Doreen Wohler, Joan Russell**



**Reunion Day 1992  
Marjorie Lowe Butler '41,  
Mary Ruf Hastings '32,  
Pat LaFlamme '57**



**STANDING: Mrs C. Thomson, Betty McInnes '53, Jennie Vacola '54, Violet Jennings '38, Lois Stewart '54  
SEATED: Michelle Lockhart '55, Mary Boughner '48, Mrs E. Newman, Mrs Marie MacDonald**



**Kathleen McLeod,  
Margaret Herron**



**Colleen Moore, Carol Caesar,  
Mildred Witmer**



**October 1957**

**Sister Mary Daniel '47  
explains how the oxygen system works  
to St Joseph Women's Auxiliary**

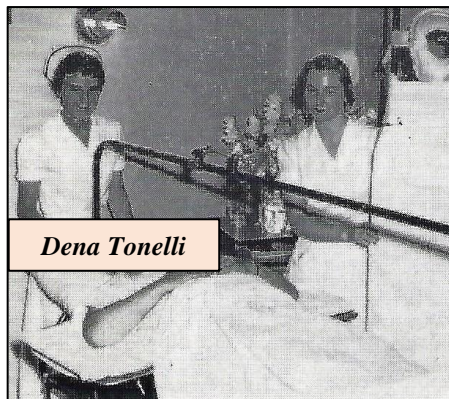




*Pat LaFlamme '57, Teresa Latcham '58  
working nights on C-floor April 1957*



*Katherine McLeod, Helen Walsh, Virginia Sullivan*



*Dena Tonelli*



**OAKBANK NURSES RESIDENCE**



*Maureen Arbour, Louella Wagner*



*Maureen Arbour, Barb Wohler,  
Marg Roth*



**MARYGROVE NURSES RESIDENCE**



*Irene Field Monas '57,  
Denise Blais '67, Gisele St Amour Nielsen '67, Jackie Harris Frame '71A,  
Penny Freeborn '71A, Isabel Farrell '62*



*Lorraine Luca, Kathleen McLeod,  
Janet Woodcock, Carol Caesar*



*Phyllis Pomponi Clara Mazza Marion Fletcher Patricia LaFlamme Maureen Arbour  
Mancini '50 Wallman '50 Spencer '51 Savelli '57 Radigan '57  
Reunion Day 2017*

*The class of 1957 lived in Undermount  
Residence during their 1<sup>st</sup> and last year of  
training.*

*During their 2<sup>nd</sup> year, 18 students lived in  
Marygrove Nurses Residence and the other  
members of the class lived in Oakbank  
Residence.*





*Marilyn Rebbeck, Carmella Cupola,  
Mary Zahn*



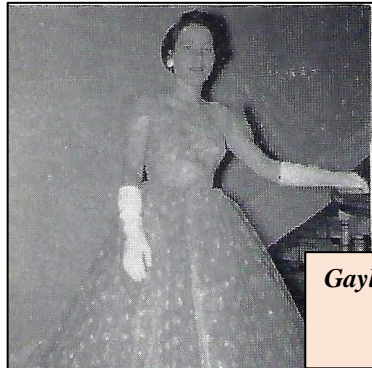
*Mass in Fontbonne Hall 1997  
Lorraine Forbes, Sylvia Kennedy,  
Joan Robinson, Carol Caesar*



*Sandra Stawiany, Doreen Wohler,  
Mary Anne Owens*



*Margaret Roth Marie Garlow Irene Field*



*Pat LaFlamme*



*Gayle Hoffman, Janet Hayes, Carol Hoffman,  
Mary Zahn, Margaret Roth,  
Lorraine Luca, Norma Bell*



*Maureen Arbour*



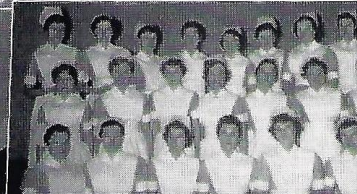
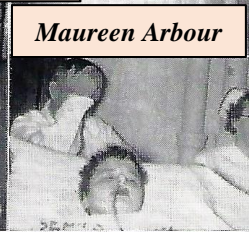
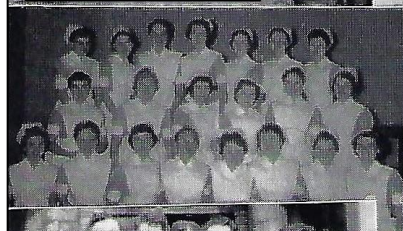
*Louella Wagner, Carmella Cupola,  
Mary Zahn*



*Helen Crotty'56,  
Cathy Fitzgerald'57*



*Beverly Earl'57, Pat LaFlamme'57,  
Ann Chambers'58, Teresa Latcham'58  
working nights on C-floor April 1957*



*Marilyn  
Rebbeck*

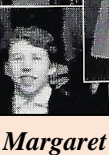


*Carol Caesar*

*Marilyn Rebbeck*



*Margaret Roth*



*Margaret  
Roth*



*Pearl Gilbertson, Carol Cote,  
Donna Gahagan, Doreen Wohler*



*Jean  
Vanderburgh*



*Mildred Wilmer,  
Kay McLeod*



*Elaine Haller, Beverly Ross*



*Joan Russell, Beulah Fries,  
Marie Garlow, Eleanor Trutwin  
Reunion Day 1997*



*Elaine Haller, Frances Bunn, Doreen Wohler, Pat LaFlamme, Maureen Arbour,  
Lorraine Forbes Picture taken at Marygrove 1958*





*Loretta Salciccioli*



*Florence Davis Irene Field  
Pearl Gilbertson Joan Robinson*



*Marg Donnelly, Frances Bunn,  
Colleen Moore*



*Reunion Day 1997  
Marie Garlow, Theresa Doohan,  
Marg Herron*



*Mary Zahn, Carmella Cupola,  
Norma Bell, Frances Bunn*



*Carmella Cupola, Lorraine Forbes,  
Mary Ann Owens*



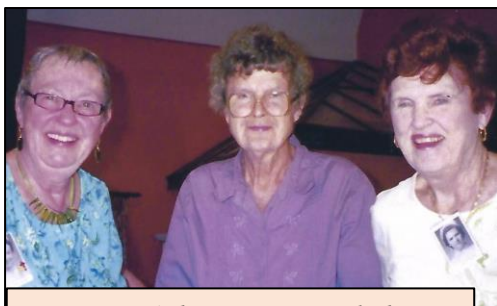
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Virginia Sullivan*



*Doreen Wohler, Mary Zahn,  
Sylvia Kennedy*



*Concetta Savino, Carol Caesar, Cathy Fitzgerald*



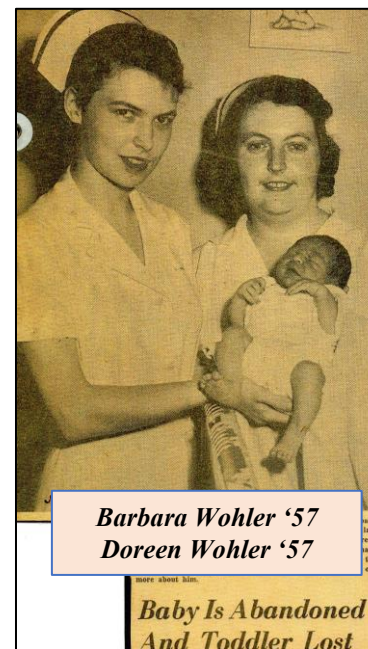
*Maureen Arbour, Jean Vanderberg,  
Colleen Moore*



*Helen Brunner, Cathy Fitzgerald*



*Norma Bell, Carol Caesar,  
Pat LaFlamme, Mary Zahn, Carmella Cupola*



*Barbara Wohler '57  
Doreen Wohler '57*

*Baby Is Abandoned  
And Toddler Lost*



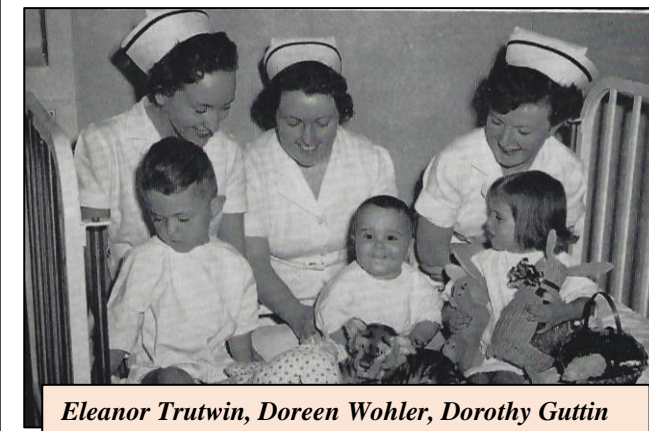
*Margaret Kemezys, Irene Field,  
Pearl Gilbertson*



*Irene Field, Pearl Gilbertson, Louella Wagner*



*Barb Wohler, Valerie Tate, Sandra Stawiany*



*Eleanor Trutwin, Doreen Wohler, Dorothy Guttin*





*Colleen Moore, Maureen Arbour,  
Lorraine Forbes, Marie Garlow*



*Joan Robinson, Carol Caesar,  
Colleen Moore, Maureen Arbour*



*Carol Hoffman, Helen Walsh, Janet Woodcock*



#### STUDENT COUNCIL

**LT TO RT:** *Thelma Brown '59 (Secretary, Norma Bell '57 (President),  
Carol Hoffman '57 (Vice President), Beverly Patterson '59 (Junior Class Representative),  
Sandra Stawiany '57 (Treasurer)*

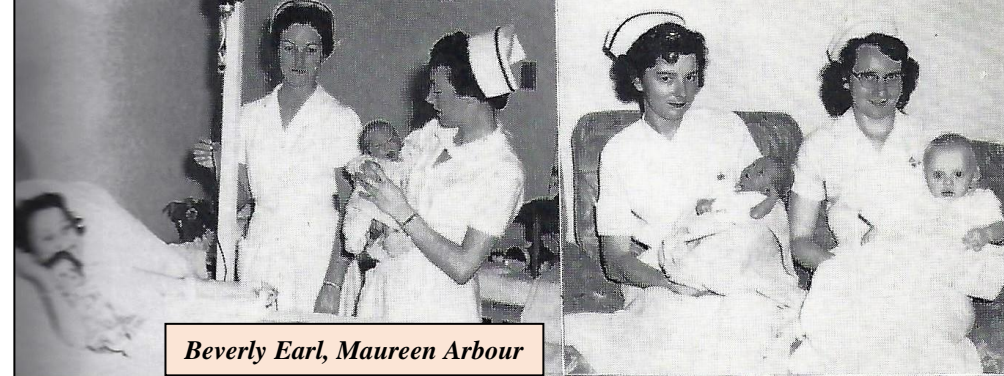
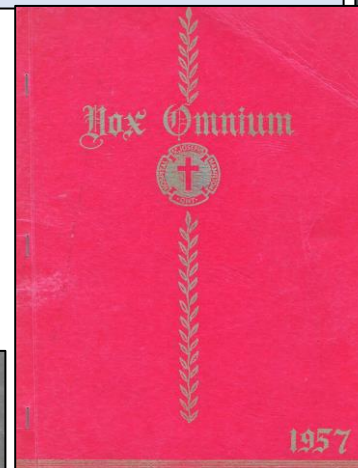


#### VOX OMNIUM STAFF

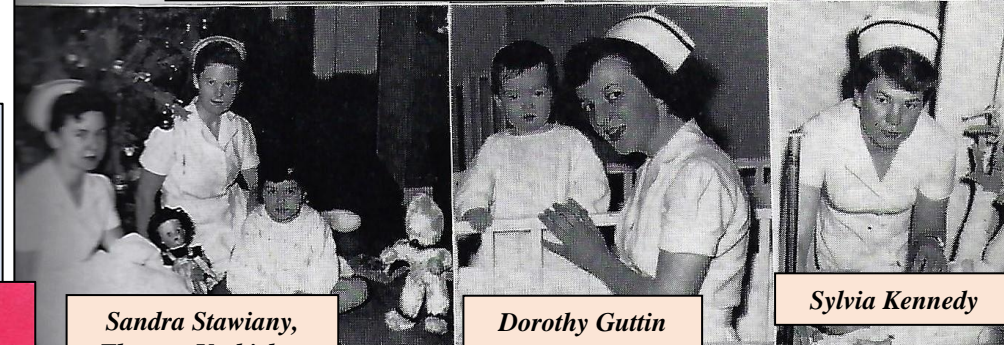
*Patricia LaFlamme '57 (Advertising Manager) Valerie Tate '57 (Secretary)  
Lorraine Luca '57 (Literary, Maureen Arbour '57 (Editor),  
Barbara Wohler '57 (Assistant Editor)  
Absent: Carole Cote '57 (Photography), Jennie Vacola '54 (Advisor)*



*Sister Virginia '45,  
Mary Zahn '57*



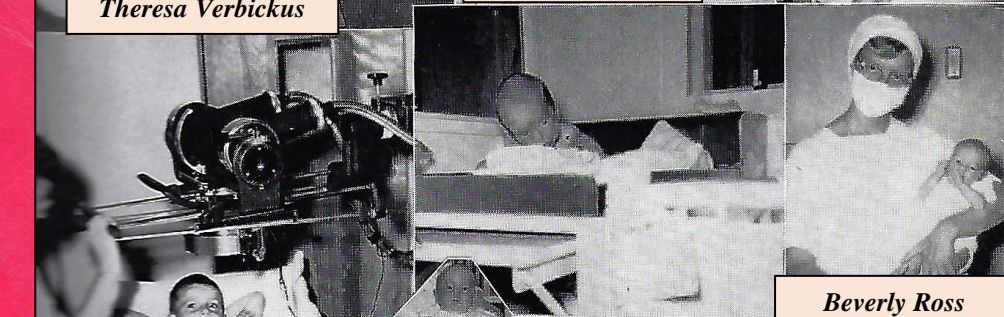
*Beverly Earl, Maureen Arbour*



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Theresa Verbickus*

*Dorothy Guttin*

*Sylvia Kennedy*



*Beverly Ross*

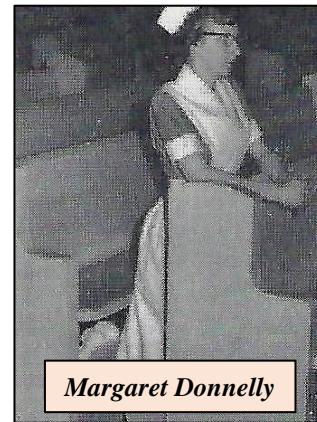


*Joan Robinson '57*





*Maureen Arbour, Pat LaFlamme, Colleen Moore, Frances Bunn*



*Margaret Donnelly*



*Norma Bell, Beverly Ross, Carmella Cupola*



*Norma Bell, Helen Walsh*



*Pat LaFlamme, Mary Zahn, Lorraine Luca*



*Maureen Arbour, Norma Bell*



*Margaret Nagy*



*Joan Robinson, Elaine Haller, Mary Hoffer*



*Marilyn Rebbeck, Eleanor Trutwin, Sylvia Hallok*



*Mary Zahn, Sylvia Hallok*



*Margaret Roth, Mildred Witmer*



*Eleanor Trutwin, Marion McCain, Beverly Earle*



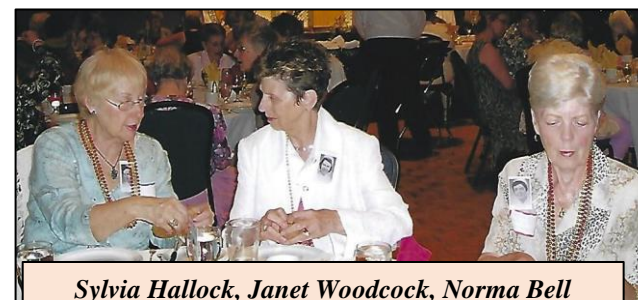
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*Elaine Haller, Mary Zahn, Barb Wohler*



*Louella Wagner, Dorothy Guttin, Cathy Fitzgerald, Valerie Tate*

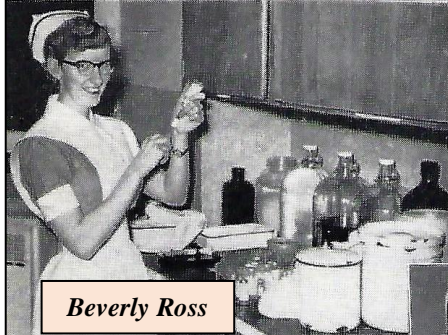


*Sylvia Hallock, Janet Woodcock, Norma Bell*



*Mary Zahn, Carol Caesar, Frances Bunn, Joan Robinson, Marg Kemezys, Sylvia Hallok, Carmella Cupola, Norma Bell*

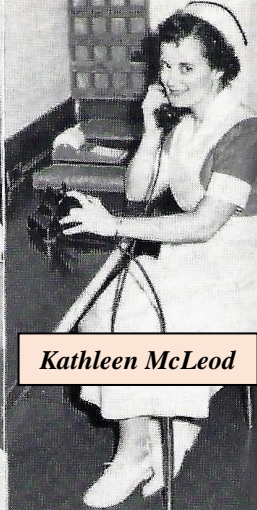




**Beverly Ross**



**Kathleen McLeod**



**Lorraine Luca, Kay McLeod,  
Carol Caesar, Frances Bunn**



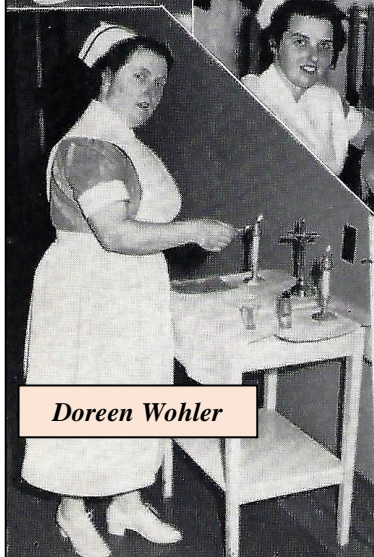
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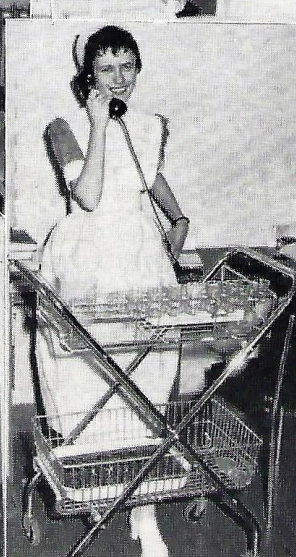
**Madeline Rowe '58**



**Pat LaFlamme, Lorraine Forbes, Carmella Cupola,  
Marilyn Rebbeck, Mary Zahn, Frances Bunn**



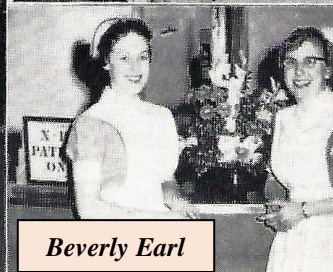
**Doreen Wohler**



**Pat LaFlamme '57,  
Teresa Latcham '58**



**Kay McLeod, Joan Robinson, Carmella Cupola,  
Helen Walsh, Pat LaFlamme, Maureen Arbour 2006**



**Beverly Earl**

## SAN TOWN



**Lorraine Luca, Kay McLeod,  
Carol Caesar, Frances Bunn**

Miss Ceasar:

You are going on affiliation — Oh joy! three whole fascinating months at the O.H., with little to do but study folk and make people contented —

— On May 16' — Wonderful! so soon.

— At the Mountain Sanatorium — OH, NO!!

but I want to go to the O.H. — it's three months instead of just one, — it's closer, etc., etc.

May 16th was one of those soft spring days that gave the pink and white apple blossoms in front of Holbrook Residence a fairy glow, and made you look around the lawns for the source of lilac fragrance. The four affiliates from Brantford and Hamilton General Hospitals, who had arrived before me, ushered me noisily to my room and the first evening was spent — as most of the rest were to be with loud hilarity and good spirits — and a thankful sinking into a wonderful foam rubber mattress.

The next morning we got to work. In the classroom with notes, notes, lectures and notes; to the wards to be orientated to a new system of keeping records and happily introducing ourselves to the unimpressed patients.

"Oh yes — you come and go —"

Then to the dark broncoscopy room where we were allowed quick glimpses down an inserted broncoscope, catching a glimpse of a dark tumor, or an angry lesion, or just healthy pink lung tissue.

From that first day, time did not wait for us. The lectures, demonstrations and museum study were packed with new information but I liked best our ward duty.

Here we began to know them — these people who one day were taken from society homes and privacy, placed in a strange circumstance, required to make new friends, accept advice and treatments and adjust to a slow moving sometimes stationary way of life for long periods of time. On the admission ward we see the reactions to this from bitterness and resentment, to shock. They are usually here for about a month until it is decided whether to follow long term medical treatment or surgery. Here they begin that most important method of stimulating interest in normal activities and healthy minds — physical and occupational therapy. For some this means High School; College or Commercial study, for some the learning of a trade which they will follow when they leave, or for older people — something to occupy their lonely hours.

Then a look at surgery — the careful consideration which the alert staff of Doctors give each case before any operations such as thorocoplasty, spinal fusions, segmentectomies or iliocectoplasty, are performed, the amazing deftness accuracy and swiftness of the surgeon, and most wonderful of all, the speed and ease of recovery.

But the most fascinating of all were the Eskimos gay, stoical, mischievous, laughing, demonstratively affectionate — they are fun to be with even when they giggle in Eskimo so that you can't understand. With them everything is different. They learn quickly and easily but many techniques must be adapted to the mood they are in at the time. Many times I heard myself murmuring "Oh, if Mrs. McDonald could see me now."

Affiliation at the Sanatorium? Why the time passed too quickly. Then Graduation Exercises were held and we were sorry to leave. It was good to try the systems of another hospital, and work with students from different hospitals. And we had a glimpse at affiliation for future students for we were shown the plans of Hamilton's Children's Hospital and feel it will be a wonderful opportunity for them just as our short stay at the San was for us.



**Kay McLeod, Joan Robinson, Carmella Cupola,  
Helen Walsh, Pat LaFlamme, Maureen Arbour 2006**



**Carmella Cupola, Mary Zahn,  
Norma Bell, Lorraine Forbes**



**Mary Haley Tilden '42 (age 95)  
Pat LaFlamme Savelli '57  
attending Reunion Day 2015**





OCCASION:

## BLACK BAND DANCE

TIME:

6 o'clock August 16th, 1956.

PLACE:

Nurses' Residence.

SETTING:

All lights on —  
 Bathtubs booked —  
 Hair pinned up —  
 Faces in Masquerade —  
 Dresses hanging from ceiling —  
 All this pomp and circumstance  
 for our Classe's first big dance.

As time marched on voices could be heard: —  
 "Where are my nylons?"  
 "Who stole my - - - -"  
 "Can I borrow your - - - -"  
 "My hair looks a mess"

All this proceeded the arrival of our escorts  
 and we were off for a gala evening.

PLACE:

Starlight Ballroom Prudhommes Garden Centre.

Walking through the entrance we could hear  
 the lovely strains of Bob Richardson's Orchestra  
 and an enjoyable evening of dancing begun.  
 Refreshments were served in buffet style.

FINISH:

Arrived back at Undermount at 2 A.M. Tired but Happy.

**Black Band Dance ----- Class of 1957**  
**August 16, 1956**  
**Starlight Ballroom at Prudhommes Garden Centre**



*Joan Robinson, Beverly Ross*



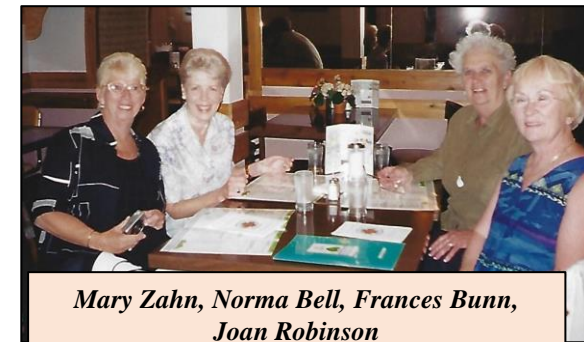
*40<sup>th</sup> Reunion 1997 Brunch at Maureen Arbour's*



*Joan Robinson '57, Pearl Gilbertson '57,  
 Vera Summers '58*



*Sylvia Hallok, Elaine Haller, Bev Ross,  
 Joan Robinson*



*Mary Zahn, Norma Bell, Frances Bunn,  
 Joan Robinson*



*Sandra Stawiany, Carol Caesar, Mary Hoffer,  
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*Class of 1957  
was the 1<sup>st</sup> class to have a  
RED ROSE BALL*



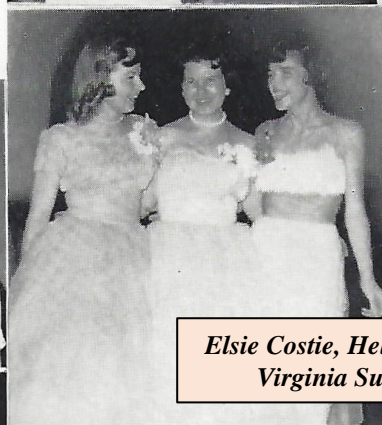
*Frances Bunn*



*Valerie Tate*



*Judy Vargo, Concetta Savino*



*Elsie Costie, Helen Walsh,  
Virginia Sullivan*



*Diane Sullivan '54, Mary Sullivan '49,  
Virginia Sullivan '57*



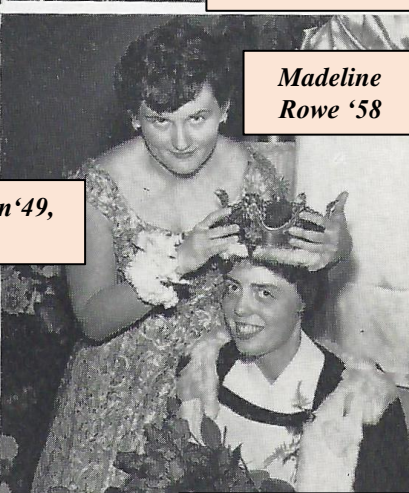
*Helen Walsh*



*Helen Walsh*



*Elsie Costie*



*Red Rose Queen  
Norma Bell '57*



*Ida Green, Pat LaFlamme '57  
Celebrating Ida's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday*



*Theresa Verbickus, Joan Russell*



*Carmella Cupola, Pat LaFlamme, Janet Woodcock,  
Lorraine Luca, Margaret Roth, Margaret Kemezys*

## THE RED ROSE BALL

On May 22nd, 1957 the first annual uniform dance, staged by the Student's Council was held in honour of the Graduating Class, in the St. Joseph's Hospital Auditorium.

As the graduates entered the auditorium their escorts were presented with a red rose corsage to pin on their lady.

The hall was gaily decorated with floral arrangements, balloons, lanterns, and green paper maché silhouettes heralding in spring. Tables were placed about the hall in cabaret style.

We danced to the music of Bob Richardson's Orchestra. The highlight of the evening came at intermission when Norma Bell was crowned Queen of the Red Rose Ball by Madeline Rowe.

The evening proved enjoyable for all.



*Pat LaFlamme, Lorraine Forbes,  
Carmella Cupola, Norma Bell, Mary Zahn,  
Frances Bunn*



Miss Norma Bell is being crowned the new rose queen by Miss Madeline Rowe, at the annual graduation dance of St.

*Norma Bell '57 was crowned  
by Madeline Rowe '58*



*Kay McLeod, Joan Robinson, Carmella Cupola, Helen Walsh,  
Mary Zahn, Pat LaFlamme 2006*



## THE BANQUET

One of the annual events of the year, was the St. Joseph's Hospital Nursus Alumnae banquet, held at the Burgundy Room in honour of the Graduating Class of 1957.

The highlight of the evening was the Guest speaker Dr. A. C. Johnson with his interpretation of "Duped and Doped." Dr. Johnson had intended to use his subject in relation to the male and female species but realizing he was outnumbered, the topic was presented in relation to the advertisement of drugs. Picture slides of such were brought to our attention but the most humorous point was when Dr. Johnson demonstrated his own version of advertisements by means of a cartoon.

Bob and Roy, owner's of the Tuck Shop, and long time friends of the student nurses, made their annual donation of gifts to two new graduates, whose names were drawn that evening. Louella Wagner was the winner of a wrist watch and Margaret Nagy received a shining iron.

The graduating class was thrilled to find the little blue boxes at their tables, holding in them the treasured school ring. This made the evening not only enjoyable but a memorable occasion as well.

MARIA SCIASCIA.



**Maria Sciascia '57**



**Theresa Verbickus.  
Pat LaFlamme**



**Beverly Earl**

## THE MASS AND BREAKFAST

As dawn approached on that long awaited day, the graduates awoke with a feeling of expectancy in their hearts, in knowing what this day held for them. Hastily, they rose and dressed in uniform. All were assembled promptly at 6:20 a.m., in the corridor in front of the chapel.

As they filed into the chapel, their eyes gradually lifted to the awe inspiring view before them. The altar was beautifully bedecked with rose bouquets. A High Mass was offered by Reverend Father Pickett for the Graduating Class.

Following The Mass a most enjoyable breakfast was served in the cafeteria under the direction of Sister St. James. Each table was colourfully decorated and at each place setting was a black, leather pocket - folder with the students name in gold inscription. St. Christopher medals and Rosaries were given to each graduate as a token of remembrance from the Sisters of St. Joseph.

This occasion was a most appropriate beginning to a memorable day.

BEVERLEY EARL.



**Mass at St. Charles Garnier  
Ruth Milne '58, Jean Webster Shepard '37,  
Maureen Arbour '57**



**June 1, 2007  
Marg Donnelly, Mary Zahn, Colleen Moore**



**May 31, 2007  
Frances Bunn, Mary Zahn, Lorraine Luca,  
Pat LaFlamme, Margaret Donnelly, Joan Robinson,  
Colleen Moore, Maureen Arbour**



**Margaret Donnelly, Mary Zahn, Maureen Arbour**



**Helen Walsh, Cathy Fitzgerald, Lorraine Forbes,  
Katherine McLeod, Mildred Witmer, Louella Wagner**



**Catherine  
Fitzgerald**



**Colleen Moore, Marie Garlow,  
Beulah Fries**

**Catherine Fitzgerald '57  
1968 She served on the Nurses Alumnae Executive as the  
Membership Secretary  
1972 - 1973 She served on the Executive as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President.**



**Sr. Evelyn Riordan '54, Sr. Maris Stella '56, Marie Sciascia '57**





***Norma Bell, Helen Walsh, Maureen Arbour, Pat LaFlamme, Joan Robinson, Mary Zahn, Marg Herron, Irene Fields, Marie Garlow***  
***Reunion Day 2017***



***Marg Donnelly, Pat LaFlamme, Maureen Arbour, Mary Zahn, Joan Robinson, Frances Bunn***



***Pat LaFlamme, Pearl Gilbertson, Irene Field***

***Vase was donated by the class of 1958  
 Flowers were donated by Mary Hastings '32  
 in memory of Margaret Hastings '58***



***Reunion Day 1992***

***Back Row: Mary Zahn, Frances Bunn, Cathy Fitzgerald  
 Middle Row: Kathleen McLeod, Joan Robinson, Pat Savelli  
 Front Row: Frances Ciancone, Maureen Arbour***



***Ruth Milne '58, Mary Ruf Hastings '32, Pat LaFlamme '57***

## ONTARIO HOSPITAL AFFILIATION

Our training period at the Ontario Hospital was not only extremely enlightening, but most interesting. It was heartwarming to see what was being done for the mentally unwell. Even during our short stay, a decided improvement was noted in many of the patients. We were made to feel that we were a very important force in contributing to their well being.

The various forms of treatment including hydrotherapy, electro-convulsive treatment, insulin coma therapy, lobectomy, and psychotherapy, were thoroughly explained to us, and illustrated. Advances that have taken place recently in the field of mental health, have greatly encouraged those engaged in this work, but we were sorry to learn that less than 1% of the cost of running the Ontario hospitals, is being spent on research. Because of the prevalence of mental illness this seems a very sad lack.

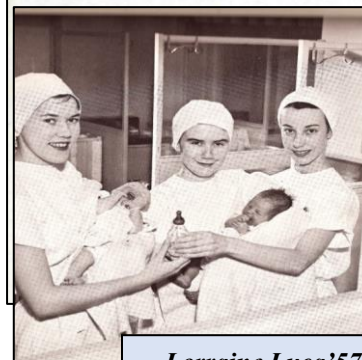
One could not help but notice the keen interest that was taken in the patients' welfare, and progress, on the part of the psychiatrists, psychologists, nursing staff, and others.

I am sure that our experience at the Ontario Hospitals will be of inestimable value to us. In our role of health teacher, we will be able to explain to those among whom we work the necessity of seeking early help from the medical profession. Most important of all, we will be able to assist in educating the public to adopt a mature attitude toward mental illness.

The association of the affiliates was most enjoyable, and our skill at playing "scrabble" was increased. This was mainly due to the competition we had from the patients.

All of us believe that the time spent in learning and doing psychiatric nursing, has and will aid us in our work in our own hospitals, because nursing serves the needs of the mind and spirit as well as the body.

K. MACLEOD.



***Lorraine Luca '57***



***Maureen, Marie, Colleen, Concetta, Lorraine, Helen, Marg, Joan, Kay, Norma, Beulah, Mary, Pat***  
***"13 grads from the class of 1957" Reunion Day 2015***



The Sisters of St. Joseph  
and the Graduating Class of  
nineteen hundred and fifty-seven  
St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing  
cordially invite you to be present at the  
Graduation Exercises  
Wednesday afternoon, May twenty-ninth  
at three o'clock  
Auditorium, Cathedral Girls' High School  
Main Street East, at Grant Ave.  
Hamilton

Reception  
to follow

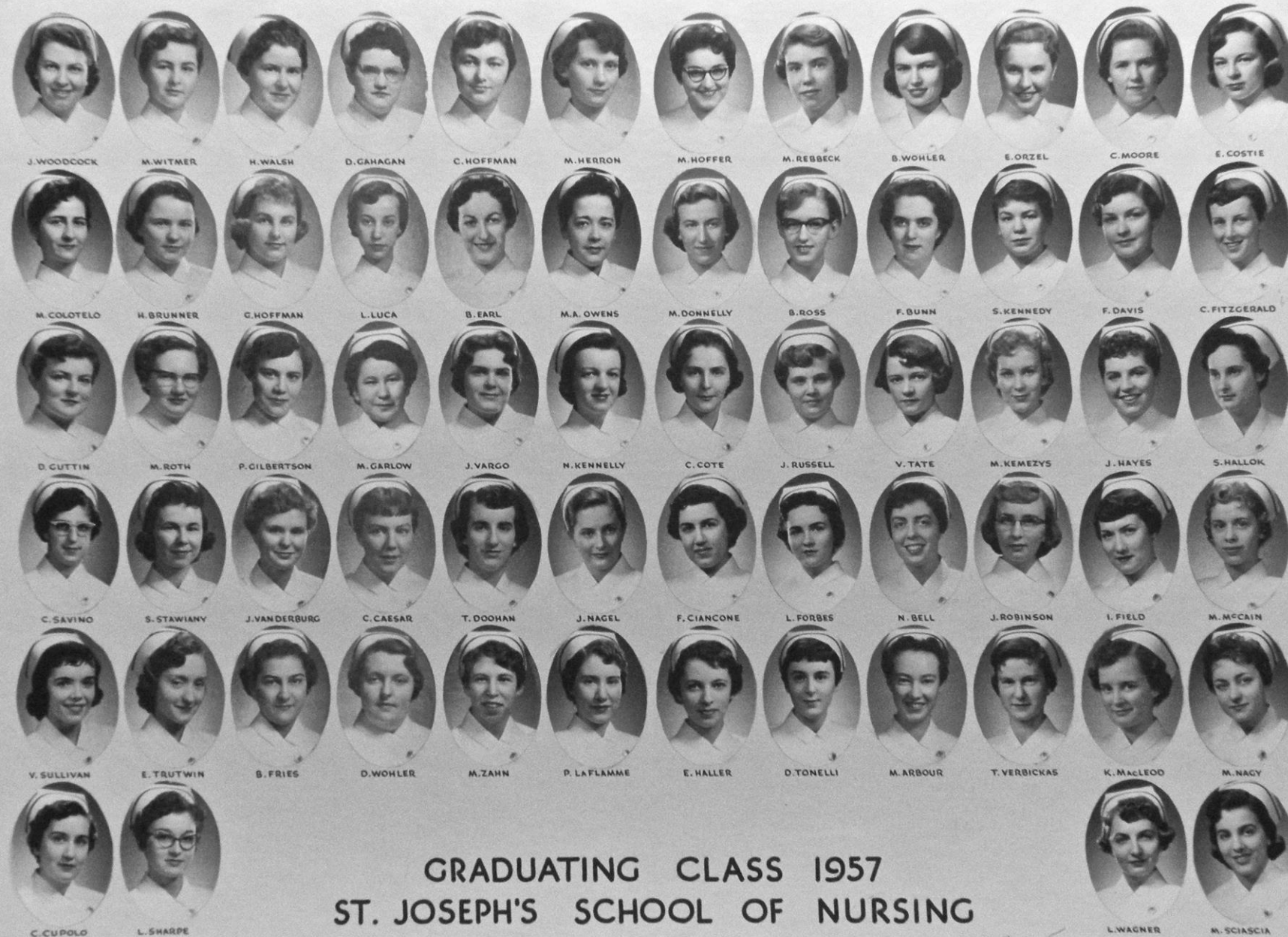
Admission  
by ticket only

### CLASS OF 1957

Wednesday May 29, 1957

3 p.m.

Cathedral Girls High School



GRADUATING CLASS 1957  
ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL OF NURSING  
HAMILTON ONTARIO



# Nursing Outgrowth Of Natural Mothering Instinct Bishop Marrocco Tells St. Joseph's Graduates

"I cannot agree with the lament of those who mention the nursing class, and to the young nurses themselves, Bishop Marrocco went on to remind the graduates that nursing was an extension of one part of motherhood.

"There are still many people who must be nursed today, not by professional people," he said, "but by loving amateur nurses (mothers) who do their nursing out of pure and selfless love."

**Most Fitting**  
Bishop Marrocco went on to

In a special appeal to the Catholic graduates, Bishop Marrocco said that he had listened to the doctors and board members praising the Sisters for their training and said that he felt that all too few graduating nurses ever gave serious consideration to themselves becoming Sisters. All too few parents, too, he said, ever thought of encouraging their daughters to become teaching or nursing Sisters.

**Pays Tribute**  
Dr. William P. Downes, chief of staff of St. Joseph's Hospital, in welcoming the guests, told the parents "Today you see your daughters as graduate nurses, well trained in the skill and art of nursing. They have, as well, a liberal education equivalent to a college education."

The Chief of Staff also paid tribute to Sister Bonaventure and Sister Mary Grace and their staffs, mentioning that in the last year about 67,500 patients had been cared for through the hospital. He made special mention of the success of the outdoor patient department which had cared for about 46,000 of these patients. This department, he pointed out, had not been in existence five years

and patience. These things God has given in a very special way to women, and especially to mothers." The best nurses, the Bishop continued, were those who regarded nursing as a chance to love the human race and to do so in the name of Christ, Himself.

**Valedictorian**  
Miss Norma Bell of Niagara Falls, class valedictorian, said that in spite of the hardships and difficulties encountered in the nursing profession, the rewards were immeasurable. "Christ gave the promise that must sustain every nurse until the end of time," Miss Bell said — "in as much as ye did it unto one of the least of these — ye did it unto Me."

**Became Diplomats**  
His Excellency, the Most Rev. Joseph F. Ryan, JCD, DD, Bishop of Hamilton presented pins and diplomas to each of the 64 graduating nurses, in a simple but impressive ceremony from the platform in answer to her name to receive a greeting from His Excellency along with her diploma and pin.

Greetings from the City of Hamilton were brought by Controller Ada Pritchard who told the young nurses that they were young and vibrant country. "Canada," Controller Pritchard urged the graduate to remember with affection those who had trained them, and to stay in the city to lend their help in the increasing hospital needs of the expanding community.

Dr. George R. Stewart, President of the Hamilton Academy of Medicine, brought congratulations and good wishes from the doctors of the city and surrounding district to the graduates. He said that it would be impossible for the doctors to carry on their work without the help given by nurses. Mr. Stewart, he said, had been restored to health by the word of kindness, the sympathy and the warmth given them by a nurse. He said that it was a choice of a profession would be able to work with their hands, their heads and their hearts as well.

**Matrimonial Mortality**  
As chairman of the hospital advisory board, Mr. Stewart, KCSG, congratulated Sister Mary Grace, Sister Bonaventure and the usual splendid work of this year's graduating classes. He quoted President G. P. Gilmore of McMaster University, whom he related, had once spoken of the "matrimonial mortality" being very serious in the nursing field, and said that many of the young women in the graduating class had already been lost to "fine young men."

Bishop Ryan also urged the graduates to stay in the city and to help out in the increasing need for nurses. "Because the work you are doing is being done for the love of Christ, God will compensate for any annoyances or difficulties you encounter," he told them.



**Class of 1957**

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Norah Kennelly Margaret Roth  
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## CHRISTMAS CARD 1957

*Season's Greetings*

"Christmas 1957"

Nativity Scene St. Joseph's Hospital Chapel

May all the peace  
of Christmas,  
Its joy and beauty  
too,  
Linger through the  
New Year,  
To bless each day  
for you.

St. Joseph's School of Nursing  
Hamilton, Canada

**Pat LaFlamme**

**Sylvia Kennedy, Joan Russell, Concetta Savino**

**Pat LaFlamme, Colleen Moore, Maureen Arbour, Lorraine Forbes**



# 43rd Graduation Exercises



St. Joseph's Hospital  
Hamilton, Ontario



Joan Robinson '57  
Margaret Roth '57



Mary Hoffer



Eleanor Trutwin, Pearl Gilbertson, Lorraine Forbes,  
Dorothy Guttin, Patricia LaFlamme, Colleen Moore

## Programme

### Opening Prayer

The Reverend V. J. Pickett

ORGAN

Organist—Mrs. G. L. Burjaw, A.T.C.M.

O Canada

### CHAIRMAN

W. P. Downes, B.A., M.D.C.M.

Chief of Staff

Valedictory

Norma Bell

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS and PINS by  
His Excellency  
The Most Reverend Joseph F. Ryan, J.C.D., D.D.

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### GREETINGS TO GRADUATING CLASS

Controller Ada M. Pritchard, Vice-Chairman, Board of Control

George R. Stewart, M.D.  
President of The Hamilton Academy of Medicine

J. M. Pigott, K.C.S.G., C.B.E.  
Chairman of the Hospital Advisory Board

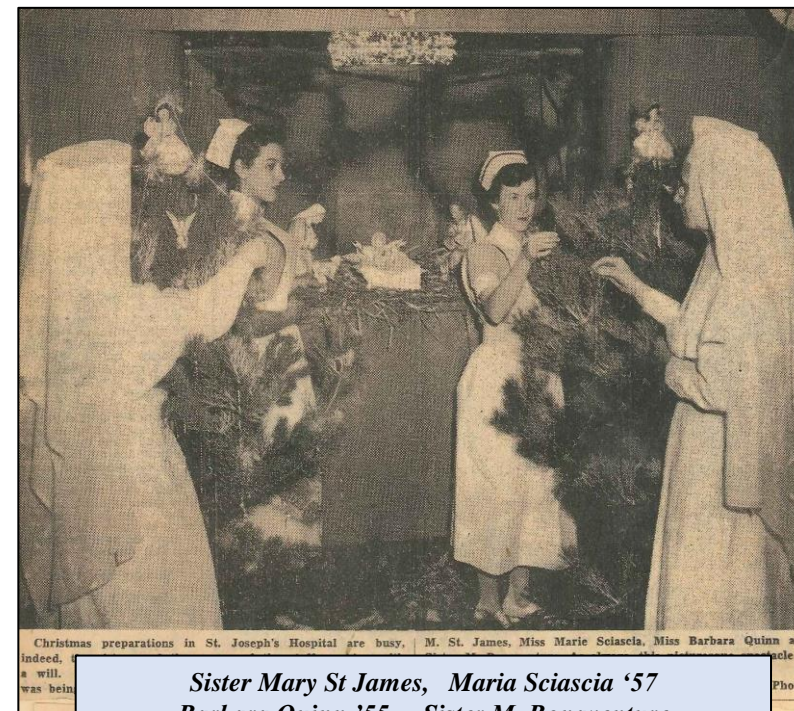
The Most Reverend Francis A. Marrocco, D.D.,  
Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto

### Presentation of Awards

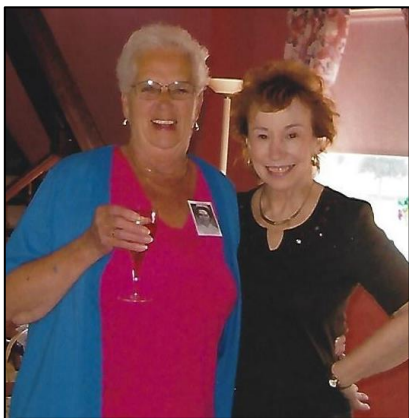
God Save The Queen



Reunion Day 1997  
Back Row: Pat LaFlamme, Frances Bunn, Marg Roth,  
Carmella Cupola, Marie Garlow  
Front Row: Norma Bell, Mary Zahn



Sister Mary St James, Maria Sciascia '57  
Barbara Quinn '55 Sister M. Bonaventure



Frances Bunn, Lorraine Luca



Joan Robinson, Bev Ross, Marg Roth,  
Frances Bunn, Mary Zahn



# Recognize Nursing Skill

Several scholarships and prizes will be awarded to nurses of outstanding calibre when St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing holds its graduation ceremonies, Wednesday at the Cathedral Girls' High School.

Four scholarships for post-graduate study will be awarded. Maureen Kennedy, Reg. N., 1955, will be presented by Mrs. J. J. Fahlenbock with a scholarship for post-graduate study in Nursing Education given by St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary.

Three scholarships for post-graduate study in Nursing Education given by St. Joseph's Hospital Medical Staff will go to Teresa Malone, Reg. N., 1956, Beverly Earl and Maria Colotelo. Presentations will be made by Mrs. W. P. Downes, Mrs. E. N. Ballantyne and Mrs. R. G. McHarg, respectively.

Carol Anne Hoffman will receive the prize for general proficiency in the senior year given in memory of the late Dr. Orton James Newell. It will be presented by Mrs. O. J. Newell.

The prize for highest standing in theory in the Intermediate Year given by the Sisters of St. Joseph will be awarded to Charlotte Judson and will be presented by the Rev. Mother Paschal.



*Joan Robinson '57*

The Margaret Gage Burkholder Chapter, IODE prize for highest standing in theory in the junior year will go to Helen Doyle, and Mrs. Gladys Fahey will make the presentation.



*Pat LaFlamme, Maureen Arbour*



*Concetta Savino '57,  
Carol McPherson '63*



*Mary Zahn*



*Reunion Day 1997  
Joan Robinson,  
Mary Hoffer*



*Mary Zahn, Lorraine Luca*



*Maureen Arbour, Pat LaFlamme,  
Marg Roth, Colleen Moore*



*Maureen Kennedy '55, Teresa Malone '56, Beverly Earl '57,  
Maria Colotelo '57, Carol Anne Hoffman '57*

## PRIZE WINNERS 1957

*Maureen Kennedy Reg. N. '55  
Theresa Malone Reg. N. '56  
Beverly Earl '57  
Maria Colotelo '57  
Carol Anne Hoffman '57*

*Scholarship for Post Graduate Study in Nursing Education  
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Prize for General Proficiency – Senior Year*

*Charlotte Judson '58  
Helen Doyle '59*

*Prize for Highest Standing in Theory – Intermediate Year  
Prize for Highest Standing in Theory – Junior Year*

## Awards

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BEVERLEY EARL

Presented by Mrs. R. G. McHarg.

MARIA COLOTELO

Prize for General Proficiency—Senior Year

Given in Memory of the late Dr. Orton James Newell.

Presented by Mrs. O. J. Newell.

CAROL ANNE HOFFMAN

Prize for Highest Standing in Theory—Intermediate Year

Given by the Sisters of St. Joseph.

Presented by Reverend Mother Paschal.

CHARLOTTE JUDSON

Prize for Highest Standing in Theory—Junior Year

Given by Margaret Gage Burkholder Chapter, I.O.D.E.

Presented by Mrs. Gladys Fahey.

HELEN DOYLE



Graduating Class 1957 St. Joseph's School Of Nursing



# Graduation 1957



*Sandra Stawiany, Mary Kemezys, Theresa Verbiscus*



Ancaster, Ontario  
JANET HAYES

Brantford, Ontario  
MARY HOFFER  
CAROL ANNE HOFFMAN  
GAYLE HOFFMAN  
MARY ANNE OWENS

Cayuga, Ontario  
FRANCES BUNN  
FLORENCE DAVIS  
PEARL GILBERTSON

Dundas, Ontario  
MARION McCAIN  
LORRAINE SHARPE

Fort Erie, Ontario  
MARY ZAHN

Fruitland, Ontario  
THERESA DOOHAN

Galt, Ontario  
MARILYN REBBECK

Hagersville, Ontario  
MARGARET ROTH

Hespeler, Ontario  
DOROTHY GUTTIN  
MILDRED WITMER

Ingersoll, Ontario  
PATRICIA LAFHAMME

Lion's Head, Ontario  
CAROL CEASAR  
LORRAINE FORBES  
BEULAH FRIES

# Graduates 1957



Hamilton, Ontario

MAUREEN ARBOUR  
FRANCES CIANCONE  
MARIA COLOTELO  
ELSIE COSTIE  
CATHERINE FITZGERALD  
DONNA GAHAGAN  
SYLVIA HALLOK  
MARGARET HERRON  
MARGARET KEMEZYS  
SYLVIA KENNEDY  
LORRAINE LUCA  
KATHLEEN MacLEOD  
COLLEEN MOORE  
ELEANOR ORZEL  
CONCETTA SAVINO  
MARIA SCIASCIA  
SANDRA STAWIANY  
VIRGINIA SULLIVAN  
VALERIE TATE  
ELEANOR TRUTWIN  
JEAN VANDERBURGH  
JUDITH VARGO  
THERESA VERBICKAS  
JANET WOODCOCK

Milton, Ontario  
DENA TONELLI

Nanticoke, Ontario  
IRENE FIELD

Niagara Falls, Ontario  
NORMA BELL  
CARMELLA CUPOLO  
MARGARET DONNELLY  
JAN NAGEL  
MARGARET NAGY

Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario  
LUELLA WAGNER

Ohswegen, Ontario  
MARIE GARLOW

Ottawa, Ontario  
NORAH KENNELLY

Paris, Ontario  
HELEN BRUNNER

Port Colborne, Ontario  
BEVERLEY EARL

St. Catharines, Ontario  
HELEN WALSH  
BARBARA WOHLER  
DOREEN WOHLER

Simcoe, Ontario  
CAROLE COTE  
ELAINE HALLER  
JOAN ROBINSON  
BEVERLEY ROSS

Stamford Centre, Ontario  
JOAN RUSSELL



*Teresa Verbicus Joan Robinson Helen Brunner Margaret Roth*



*Pat LaFlamme, Maureen Arbour*



*Joan Robinson, Sandra Stawlany*



*Maureen Arbour*



*Maureen Arbour, Theresa Verbickus, Pat LaFlamme, Lorraine Luca, Marg Kemezys*



*Louella Wagner, Irene Field, Mary Herron*

## Charming New Nurses Receive Certificates Tomorrow

The 64 young women graduating from the St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing are: Janet Hayes, Ancaster; Mary Hoffer, Brantford; Carol Anne Hoffman, Brantford; Gayle Hoffman, Brantford; Mary Ann Owens, Brantford; Frances Bunn, Cayuga; Florence Davis, Cayuga; Pearl Gilbertson, Cayuga; Marion McCain, Dundas; Lorraine Sharpe, Dundas; Mary Zahn, Fort Erie; Theresa Doohan, Fruitland; Marilyn Rebbeck, Galt; Margaret Roth, Hagersville; Dorothy Guttin, Hespeler; Patricia LaFlamme, Ingersoll; Carol Ceasar, Lion's Head; Beulah Fries, Lion's Head; Dena Tonelli, Milton; Irene Field, Nanticoke; Norma Bell, Niagara Falls; Carmella Cupolo, Niagara Falls; Margaret Donnelly, Niagara Falls; Jan Nagel, Niagara Falls; Margaret Nagy, Niagara Falls; Luella Wagner, Niagara-on-the-Lake; Marie Garlow, Ohswegen; Norah Kennelly, Ottawa; Helen Brunner, Paris; Beverley Earl, Port Colborne; Helen Walsh, St. Catharines; Barbara Wohler, St. Catharines; Doreen Wohler, St. Catharines; Carole Cote, Simcoe; Joan Robinson, Simcoe; Joan Russell, Stamford Centre.

## Afternoon

Margaret Nagy, Niagara Falls; Luella Wagner, Niagara-on-the-Lake; Marie Garlow, Ohswegen; Norah Kennelly, Ottawa; Helen Brunner, Paris; Beverley Earl, Port Colborne; Helen Walsh, St. Catharines; Barbara Wohler, St. Catharines; Doreen Wohler, St. Catharines; Carole Cote, Simcoe; Joan Robinson, Simcoe; Joan Russell, Stamford Centre.

*Names of Graduates in the Class of 1957 posted in the Hamilton Spectator*



# Urge Graduate Nurses To Stay in Hamilton

Hamilton, May 29 (Staff). — Acting mayor Ada Pritchard said today there was a great need for nurses in Hamilton's crowded hospitals and at the St. Joseph's Hospital nurses' graduation exercises, she appealed to the graduates to remain in the city.

Most Rev. Joseph F. Ryan, Bishop of Hamilton, presented the diplomas and pins to the 64 graduates from various parts of central and western Ontario. Twenty-four of the graduates are from Hamilton.

Most Rev. Francis A. Marrocco, auxiliary bishop of Toronto, gave the main address. Other speakers were Dr. George R. Stewart, president of the Hamilton Academy of Medicine and J. M. Pigott, chairman of the hospital advisory board.

Valedictorian Norma Bell said nurses must dedicate themselves to aid others.

Carol Anne Hoffman of Brantford was awarded the general proficiency prize, senior year and one of four scholarships for post-graduate study in nursing education.

Other scholarships for post-graduate study in nursing education were awarded to Maureen Kenney, Theresa Malone and Maria Colotelo.

Charlotte Judson was awarded the prize for highest standing in theory, intermediate years, and Helen Doyle, junior year.

Hamilton graduates were: Maureen Arbour, Frances Glancone, Maria Colotelo, Elise Cottle, Catherine Fitzgerald, Donna Gahagan, Sylvia Hallok, Margaret Herron, Margaret Kenessa, Sylvia Kennedy, Lorraine Luca, Kathleen McLeod, Colleen Moore, Jeanette Olson, Concetta

Savino, Maria Sciacca, Sandra Stawany, Virginia Sul Livan, Valerie Tate, Eleanor Truitt, Jean Vandeborough, Judith Vargo, Theresa Verbickas and Janet Woodcock.

Others were: Ancaster, Janet Hayes; Brantford, Mary Hoffer; Carol Anne Hoffman, Gayle Hoffman, Mary Anne Owens; Cayuga, Frances Bunn; Florence Davis; Pearl Gilbertson; Dundas, Marion McCain; Lorraine Shaper; Fort Erie, Mary Zahn; Fruitland, Theresa Doohan; Galt, Marilyn Rebbeck; Hagersville, Margaret Rohl; Hespeler, Dorothy Guttin; Mildred Wimer; Ingersoll, Patricia LaFlamme; Lion's Head, Carol Cassar; Lorraine Forbes; Brantford, Milana Dena; Toronto, Nanticoke, Irene Field; Niagara Falls, Norma Bell, Carmella Cupido, Margaret Donnelly, Jan Nagel; Niagara, Nany; Niagara-on-the-lake, Louella Wagner; Oakville, Marie Garlow; Ottawa, Norah Kennedy; Paris, Helen Brunner; Port Colborne, Beverley Earl; St. Catharines, Helen Walsh, Barbara Wohler, Doreen Wohler; Simcoe, Carole Cote; Elaine Haller; Jean Robinson; Beverley Ross; Stamford Centre, Joan Russell.



**Pauline Cramp '53, F. Winfield, Mrs Donna Rowe**

**Donna Rowe**  
was the health nurse for the students



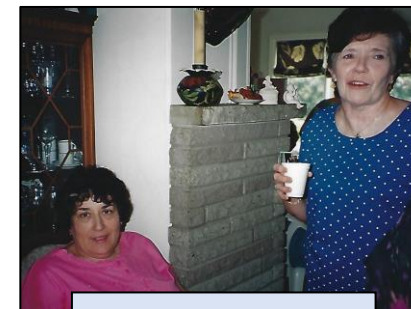
**Marg Herron, Lorraine Luca**



**Norma Bell '57**  
**Valedictorian**



**Beulah Fries, Kay McLeod, Marie Garlow, Mary Herron**



**Reunion Day 1997**  
**Carmella Cupido, Virginia Sullivan**

**Mrs. Gordon L. Burlaw supplied the music for the graduation ceremonies each year.**  
**Mrs Burlaw is also the adviser to the Sisters of St Joseph in musical interests.**  
**She is offering congratulations to Norma Bell the Valedictorian**  
**The other graduate in the photo is Margaret Herron**



**Irene Field, Pearl Gilbertson, Louella Wagner**



**Elaine Haller, Frances Bunn, Norma Bell**



**Pat LaFlamme, Lorraine Forbes, Carmella Cupola, Norma Bell, Frances Bunn**

## Valedictory

It is my privilege to deliver the valedictory, and at this time I would like to extend our best wishes to our friends who recently received the well deserved honour of Papal recognition.

For us, 1957 is a date to which we have all looked forward. Graduation, is of course a beginning not a final or ultimate goal, for it is at the bottom not the top of the ladder of achievement. We have completed three years training in our chosen profession, a period that has taught us to make the most of opportunities which will be ours in the years to come. There has been heartbreak and joy, tears and laughter, all of which helped us toward a greater knowledge of ourselves and our profession. We can truly say that no worthwhile victory has ever been won without much toil and sacrifice.

As we look back it is difficult to realize that three years have passed so quickly. Registration day, as we sat in the reception room silently appraising one another. That first tour of night duty with all its qualms and pretences of self-control. The first omnibus message to report to the Director of Nurses to answer for some misdeamour. It is strange to find how time has softened and dimmed the picture — how the big things have diminished and those which seemed small and insignificant now take on fresh values. As someone has said, "the great things have become as worthless as astronomical distances and the trifles dear as the heart's blood."

To-day is a memorable one too for our parents, who more than anyone have contributed to the fulfillment of this day. Their patience and understanding have been incentive for us to continue toward our goal in spite of difficulties encountered along the way. To the Sisters, Doctors, and Instructors who gave freely of their knowledge, their guidance, and themselves we say, Thank you.

Nursing recognizes no geographical boundaries. It is limited only by the needs of suffering humanity. Whatever be the modern woman's interest in nursing, it cannot be exclusively the matter of making a living. Nursing by its very nature can never be merely a job nor a nurse merely a wage earner. When she seeks from nursing only such compensation as any other worker she has lost the inspired motivation for her calling. Christ's greatest commandment is that we love. Without this Christ given love of our fellow man, our care of the sick is meaningless, but with it, what a joy and honour to serve God by helping his creatures.

To propagate this truth was the underlying motive of Florence Nightingale's work, for she fought all her life to have nursing recognized as a vocation, not a trade. The ideals she proposed, had been exemplified to a heroic extent long years before her time in the lives of St. Elizabeth of Hungary and Jeanne Mance who came to Canada to found the first hospital in Montreal in the 17th century and served alike her French compatriots and the native Indians. These women were moved by the needs and sufferings of their fellow human beings and each of them gave herself whole heartedly to the work seeing, in those for whom they cared, Christ's suffering. This challenge is ours to-day. In service such as theirs may we find our victory.

Although our profession may appear arduous, the reward is immeasurable; from the sorrow of death we learn sympathy; from the patience of the handicapped we gain fortitude; in the eyes of the suffering we see Christ and grow in charity. Long ago as He walked among the sick and healed their ills, He gave the promise that must sustain every nurse to the end of time, "that as long as you did it for one of the least of My brethren you did it unto Me."

NORMA BELL.



**Reunion Day 2002**  
**Mary Zahn, Frances Bunn, Maureen Arbour, Pat LaFlamme**





*Carol Sullivan, Mary Sullivan '49, Diane Sullivan '54, Virginia Sullivan '57 (lab technician)*



*Eleanor Trutwin, Pearl Gilbertson, Lorraine Forbes, Dorothy Guttin, Patricia LaFlamme, Colleen Moore*



*Helen Brunner*



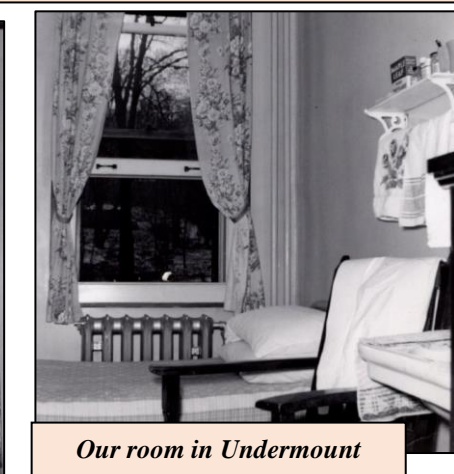
*Graduates went by bus to Cathedral Girls High School*



*Norma Bell, Joan Robinson, Helen Walsh, Carmella Cupola*



*"Roommates" Irene Field Joan Robinson*



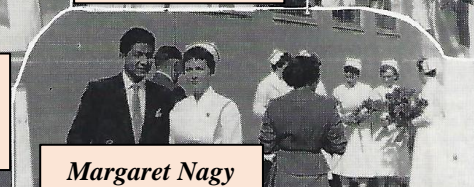
*Our room in Undermount*



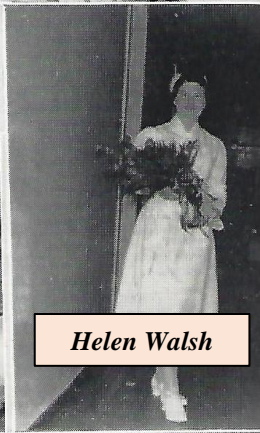
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*Margaret Nagy*



*Helen Walsh*



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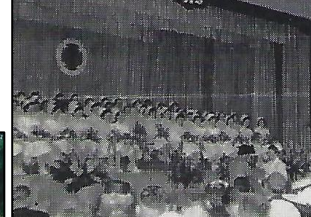
*Beulah Fries*



*Maureen Arbour, Pat LaFlamme, Karen Wilson '69, Mary Zahn*



*Mary Zahn, Pat LaFlamme*



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*Norma Bell, Helen Walsh, Lorraine Forbes*

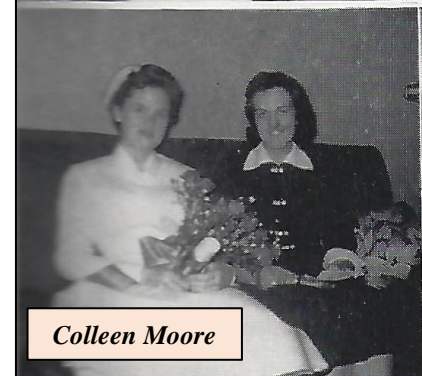




**Concetta Savino**



**Marion McCain**



**Colleen Moore**



**Mary Hoffer**



**Norma Bell, Margaret Roth**



**Janet Hayes, Dorothy Guttin**



**Dorothy Guttin**



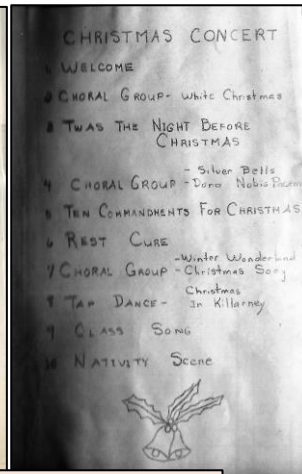
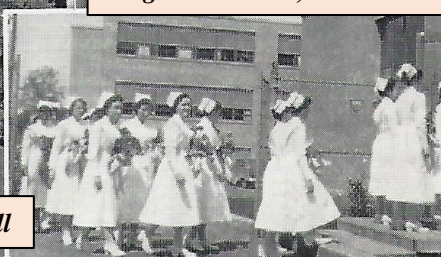
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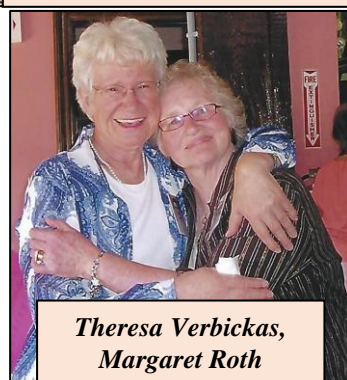
**Helen Walsh, Elsie Costie, Virginia Sullivan, Barbara Wohler**



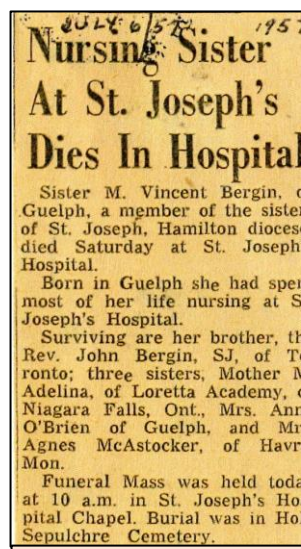
**Christmas Concert December 19, 1957**



**Marie Garlow, Beulah Fries**



**Theresa Verbickas, Margaret Roth**



**Sister M. Vincent Bergin July 6, 1957**



**Reunion Day 2002 Pat LaFlamme '57, Mary Haley '42**



**Lorraine Forbes, Eleanor Trutwin**

**IN MEMORIAM  
SISTER MARY VINCENT**

A long life dedicated to the service and welfare of the sick ended in the death of Sister Mary Vincent C.S.J. on Saturday July 6th, 1957.

Sister entered the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph 53 years ago and for the past fifty years was assigned to St. Joseph's Hospital Hamilton. She spent herself in untiring devotion to the care of the sick and always maintained a keen interest in the progress of student nurses.

When failing health forced her retirement from active nursing, she devoted her time to the visitation of the sick. Blessed with a lively sense of humour, patients looked forward to her visits, when she brought them spiritual comfort and encouragement.

Sister Vincent was a familiar figure in the chapel, where she spent many hours in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament and we know that she is now reaping the reward of a life dedicated to the service of others.

**Memoriam in 1957  
Yearbook**



**Margaret Roth Florence Davis  
Joan Robinson Pearl Gilbertson**



# 1957 GRADUATES

## St. Joseph's School of Nursing



**MAUREEN ARBOUR**  
Boundless energy of a Roman Candle.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
Keeping track of her dates.  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
Dancing.  
*Ambition:*  
Far away places with La Flamme.



**HELEN BRUNNER**  
The sweet breakness of apple blossoms.  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
Telephoning at 2 a.m.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
Paris.  
*Pet Aversion:*  
Shaking Matts.



**NORMA BELL**  
Welcoming smile mirrored in laughing eyes.  
*Favorite Song:*  
"Caledonia here I come."  
*Favorite Saying:*  
"Who me!?"  
*Ambition:*  
Over the Falls in a barrel.



**FRANCES BUNN**  
Bobby socks and glamour girl dreams.  
*Ambition:*  
To get back the man who got away.  
*Pet Peeves:*  
Waking up room-mates.  
*Favorite Song:*  
"Your Cheating Heart."



**CAROL CAESAR**  
Serene depths in a sunny smile.  
*Ambition:*  
Missionary nursing in Africa.  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
Sleeping.  
*Favorite Song:*  
"O how I hate to get up in the morning."



**ELSIE COSTIE**  
An imp making faces at life.  
*Pet Aversion:*  
Doctors.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
Clinics.  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
Rock 'n Roll.



**FRANCES CIANCONE**  
Congenial miss with a merry heart.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
Boils.  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
Dancing Instructor at Regis Club.  
*Nickname:*  
Chunky.



**CAROLE COTE**  
Determination cloaked in humour.  
*Favorite Song:*  
"Just my Bill".  
*Ambition:*  
Marriage.  
*Most Noted Achievement:*  
Letting the sink over-run.



**MARIA COLOTEO**  
Frisky yet mild as a newborn lamb.  
*Ambition:*  
To sing with a band.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
Not enough work.  
*Most Noted Achievement:*  
Slowing down?



**CARMELLA CUPOLO**  
Fireworks on the 24th.  
*Favorite Song:*  
How I love to ride in a Buick.  
*Ambition:*  
Building a house for two.  
*Probable Destination:*  
Mak...



**FLORENCE DAVIS**  
Serenity with its most gracious air.  
*Ambition:*  
Exploring the Ridge.  
*Weakness:*  
Man in white.  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
Curling?

**BEVERLEY EARLE**  
Lavender Lace and Apple Blossoms.  
*Favorite Saying:*  
Howdy.  
*Most Notable Saying:*  
"I didn't know he was an Interne 'till he started the I.V."



**MARGARET DONNELLY**  
Intelligence with an unassuming air.  
*Favorite Song:*  
I'll get by.  
*Most Noted Achievement:*  
Getting in.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
Staying in.

**IRENE FIELD**  
Quiet efficiency in a charming manner.  
*Weakness:*  
Don Juan.  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
Betting the horses.  
*Favorite Song:*  
My old flame.



**THERESA DOOHAN**  
Happiness sprinkled with mirth.  
*Ambition:*  
The role of Juliet.  
*Probable Destination:*  
Catching Romeo.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
Waiting for the M.D.

**CATHERINE FITZGERALD**  
Windblown bob at the country club.  
*Favorite Saying:*  
Let George do it.  
*Nickname:*  
Fitz.  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
Watching basketball.







**LORRAINE FORBES**  
 Dreams under lock and key.  
*Weakness:*  
 Big cars.  
*Ambition:*  
 To entertain at parties.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Back on the farm.



**MARIE GARLOW**  
 Sugar and Spice and everything nice.  
*Favorite Song:*  
 "Charlie my Boy."  
*Pet Peeve:*  
 Switching days off.  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
 Hunting for Boo-Boo.



**BUELAH FRIES**  
 A gold locket on a velvet ribbon.  
*Ambition:*  
 Travelling.  
*Nickname:*  
 Boo.  
*Most Noted Achievement:*  
 Tapping trees.



**PEARL GILBERTSON**  
 Perseverance with a radiant smile.  
*Favorite Song:*  
 "I'm just wild about Harry."  
*Ambition:*  
 To cook over a hot stove.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Plumbing.



**DONNA GAHAGAN**  
 Happy-go-lucky attitude with a touch of mischief.  
*Weakness:*  
 Chinese food.  
*Ambition:*  
 To eat with chop sticks.  
*Nickname:*  
 Giggi.



**DOROTHY GUTTIN**  
 Individuality laughing at Life.  
*Favorite Song:*  
 "I didn't know what time it was."  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
 Sipping tea with Eleanor.  
*Favorite Saying:*  
 "No one's hair isn't red."



**MARION MCCAIN**  
 Vivacious miss with a flair for fashion.  
*Weakness:*  
 M.G's.  
*Favorite Song:*  
 Dear John.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 To go ivy league.



**JAN NAGEL**  
 A yellow crysanthemum at a football game.  
*Favorite Song:*  
 Joey.  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
 Commuting between Hamilton and Dundas.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
 Working nights.



**KATHLEEN MCLEOD**  
 Charming efficiency and casual wit.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
 Stale tea.  
*Ambition:*  
 Missionary.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Bongo Queen.



**MARGARET NAGY**  
 Ermine stole over crisp black taffeta.  
*Weakness:*  
 Internes.  
*Ambition:*  
 Broadway.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 This side of the border.



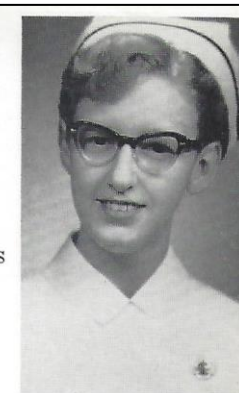
**COLLEEN MOORE**  
 A Colleen with shamrocks in her hair.  
*Weakness:*  
 Far away places.  
*Ambition:*  
 Alaska.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Living in an igloo.



**ELEANOR ORZEL**  
 Ambition in a Cashmere sweater.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
 Distance.  
*Favorite Saying:*  
 "Any mail".  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
 Sipping tea with Doty.



**MARY ANN OWENS**  
 A gathering storm smiling to itself.  
*Favorite Saying:*  
 "Who stole my —?"  
*Ambition:*  
 None.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Competition with Arthur Godfrey.



**BEVERLEY ROSS**  
 Home sweet home in swing time.  
*Ambition:*  
 To be a blue noser.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Raising big ears — not corn.  
*Weakness:*  
 That pepsodent smile.



**MARILYN REBBECK**  
 Sweet picture of unselfishness.  
*Weakness:*  
 Blind dates.  
*Ambition:*  
 To wake up in the morning and see, the Don.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Waterdown.



**MARGARET ROTH**  
 The heartening warmth of a fire on a winter day.  
*Favorite Saying:*  
 I've just got to stick to my diet.  
*Ambition:*  
 Veterinary surgery.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Nursing sick cows.



**JOAN ROBINSON**  
 Surprise package — perfect for parties.  
*Favorite Song:*  
 I'm all shook up.  
*Ambition:*  
 Ron's Hardware.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Sorting screws and nuts.



**JOAN RUSSELL**  
 Treasured photograph in a silver locket.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
 Scrubbing.  
*Ambition:*  
 To pose for A.I.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Collecting used flashbulbs.





**CONCETTA SAVINO**  
 Lifting Laughter Floating on a Breeze.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
 Flying pans — 5 a.m.  
*Ambition:*  
 Remodelling the North-end.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Living on the mountain.

**SANDRA STAWIANY**  
 Versatility in action.  
*Ambition:*  
 To own a sports car.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Model T.  
*Favorite Song:*  
 I'm walkin'.



**MARIE SCIASCIA**  
 Graceful willow in the wind.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Selling soup.  
*Favorite Song:*  
 Show me the way to go home.  
*Ambition:*  
 To gain some weight.

**VIRGINA SULLIVAN**  
 Distinction with a twinkle in her eye.  
*Favorite Saying:*  
 "I'm hungry".  
*Pet Aversion:*  
 Frat. parties in T.O.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
 3—11.



**LORRAINE SHARPE**  
 Mischief with an understanding heart.  
*Ambition:*  
 To go to Liverpool with 'Arry.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Moving to Toronto.  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
 Waiting for phone calls.

**VALERIE TATE**  
 Sweet honey in a Wedgewood pitcher.  
*Weakness:*  
 Being sympathetic.  
*Favorite Song:*  
 You're my everything.  
*Ambition:*  
 Fat lady in a circus.



**DENA TONELLI**  
 A career girl in sports clothes.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
 Lambardine Victoria.  
*Most Noted Achievement:*  
 Keeping it a secret.  
*Favorite Song:*  
 Rip it up.



**JUDITH VARGO**  
 Mischief laden charm.  
*Weakness:*  
 Stuffed Animals.  
*Ambition:*  
 George.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Taxidermist.



**ELEANOR TRUTWIN**  
 Petite package of exuberance.  
*Ambition:*  
 To meet the perfect man.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Detroit.  
*Most Noted Achievement:*  
 Doubling for Monroe.



**THERESA VERBICKAS**  
 Spirit of fun extending a helping hand.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
 Being blamed for something she didn't do.  
*Ambition:*  
 Pill Pusher.  
*Favorite Song:*  
 "Ain't Misbehaving."



**JEAN VANDERBURGH**  
 Sunny day on a college campus.  
*Ambition:*  
 Swifts.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Driving a red car.  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
 Sitting in the sun.



**LOUELLA WAGNER**  
 Free as a breeze with nothing to lose.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
 Coming in at 10:30.  
*Favorite Song:*  
 Eddie My Love.  
*Ambition:*  
 To be an American.



**HELEN WALSH**  
 Graciousness with a sportive air.  
*Ambition:*  
 Wedding Bells.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Raising six kids.  
*Favorite Song:*  
 How you going to keep him down on the farm.



**DOREEN WOHLER**  
 Bubbling brook of merriment.  
*Favorite Saying:*  
 Don't slam the door.  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
 Laughing.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
 Getting stuck in the mud.



**MILDRED WITMER**  
 An unexpected ray of sun on a dreary day.  
*Favorite Pastime:*  
 Golfing.  
*Ambition:*  
 Journalism.  
*Favorite Saying:*  
 Isn't that a "hoot."



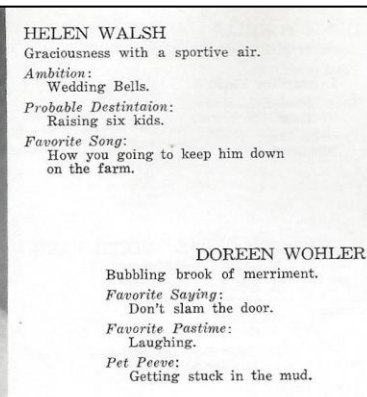
**JANET WOODCOCK**  
 Poise with a sparkling personality.  
*Ambition:*  
 Dieting.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 210.  
*Future:*  
 West Indies.



**BARBARA WOHLER**  
 Simplicity with a magic personality.  
*Pet Peeve:*  
 Coming in on time.  
*Ambition:*  
 B.B.Q.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Secretary of foreign affairs.



**MARY ZAHN**  
 Amusement with an accent on fun.  
*Weakness:*  
 Uncle Nicthy.  
*Ambition:*  
 Posing.  
*Probable Destination:*  
 Breeding horses.





## GRADUATION BALL

As soon as the magic date was known, rumours flew about who was going with whom, and lengthy clothes discussions were held among the nurses.

The climax of three year's training was the annual graduation dance, sponsored by the Nurse's Alumnae of St. Joseph's Hospital. This fabulous event was held at Prudhomme's Garden Centre on Friday, June 14, 1957.

The dress was formal for the ladies and suits for the men.

Everyone enjoyed dancing to the rhythmic tones of Bob Wybrow and his orchestra.

Refreshments were served during intermission, after which dancing commenced again until one o'clock.

When the couples left the dance, tired but happy, the general consensus of opinion was that the Graduation Dance had once more been a great success.

LORRAINE LUCA.



Lorraine Luca



Lorraine Sharpe, Joan Robinson



Margaret Donnelly



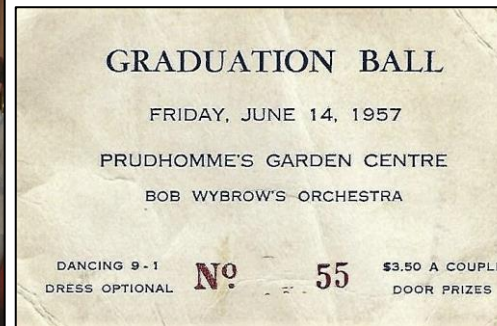
Lorraine Forbes '57, Kathleen Macleod '57



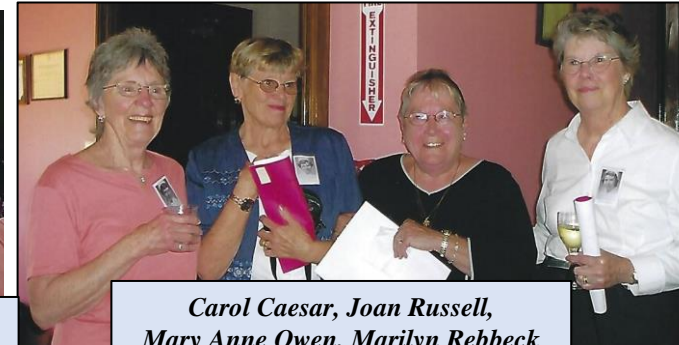
Margaret Kemezys, Maureen Arbour, Irene Field



Reunion Day 2002  
Joan Robinson



Louella Wagner, Marg Donnelly



Carol Caesar, Joan Russell,  
Mary Anne Owen, Marilyn Rebbeck



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Jennie Smutniak McDermott '65, Linda Bogoslawski Lipsitt '72,  
Irene Field Monas '57, Gisele St Amour Nielsen '67, Denise Blais '67,  
Janet Huson Cote '67, Judy Sherman Cleary '67, Janet Caughill Chene '67



Pat LaFlamme, Father Charles Galea,  
Mary Haley '42



Anna Dove Vera Delay '58

Helen Stepnik '56, Margaret Candler '56,  
Dena Tonelli '57





50 Year Reunion ----- 42 members of the class of 1957 attended

**Joan Robinson Phillips**  
*After graduation Joan worked for one year with the “Registry”.  
 They paid \$10 per 8 hour shift. St Joseph’s Hospital was only paying \$9 per 8 hour shift.*

*She joined the staff on Paediatrics in 1958 and worked in the John Street Building and then on the paediatric unit in the Mary Grace Wing when it opened in 1962. During her time at St Joseph’s she was a member of the team creating the Nurses Union. For several years she served as the Vice President of the Union. She was a member of the Grievance Committee and also a member of the Occupational Health and Safety Committee.*

*When Joan was working part time as the “Tonsil Nurse”, Local 75 was the 1<sup>st</sup> local to start the “job sharing position” using her part time position as the prototype.*

*Joan later worked with Alan Grieve and David Savage for the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the St Joseph’s Foundation creating the Long Service Awards Banquet. Joan also worked with Hugh Greenwood setting up the United Way Donations Program*

*Joan retired 1 day before her 65<sup>th</sup> birthday, taking a “package” and 1 year salary.*



*Joan Robinson '57, Cheryl McQueen '66, Isabel Kerr '60  
 Joan made a donation to the Alumnae on behalf of the class of 1957*



*Joan Robinson '57  
 Sister Mary Daniel '47*



*Lorraine Luca, Doreen Wohler*

**Reunion Day 2007**

*40 members of the class of 1957 entered the dining room to the song “When the Saints Go Marching In” played by the brass duo of Travis Gourlay and Luke Downton. Joan Robinson’s grandson played the trombone. The members of the head table also entered the dining room to the tune of “76 Trombones”.*



*Joan Robinson  
 reading the Petitions*



*Pat LaFlamme leading the  
 Jeanne Mance Pledge*



**Toast to the Alma Mater by Maureen (Arbour) Radigan '57**



Good evening Sisters, special guests, fellow Alumnae members...and a GREAT evening to all Graduates of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing celebrating SPECIAL anniversary years, especially my classmates who are here in Hamilton for a couple of days to reminisce and renew old friendships as we celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> year since graduation.

I'll take this opportunity to extend a big thank you to my class of '57 for their assistance in making today and our luncheon and get together tomorrow, such a special occasion.

I'm honoured to have been chosen to give the toast to our Alma Mater tonight. I'd like to begin by asking you to close your eyes for 60 seconds. Now, picture yourself crossing the threshold of Undermount residence for the 1<sup>st</sup> time. Now picture yourself meeting your roommates for the 1<sup>st</sup>

time....Fast forward a bit – listen and picture yourself in your starched bib and apron, your stiff wide plastic belt, you rustling as you hustle off to roll call or Mass in the wee dark hours of the early morning. This is how your day began for the next 3 years of training(if of course you were lucky enough to be on days). Me...I spent most of my training on nights, often chasing bats on C Floor, 1 Medical and GYN.

These 3 years were very busy ones. With the able assistance and dedication of the Sisters of St. Joseph, the Doctors and Nursing Instructors, we honoured our gifts of the Holy Spirit. We developed wisdom (beyond our years), knowledge and understanding of nursing procedures. We studied anatomy and physiology, medical, surgical, pediatric and obstetrical practices. We made judgments and had courage to make life and death decisions. We comforted our patients with words and touch. With reverence, wonder and awe, we saw Christ's suffering the Garden of Gethsemane in many of our patients. We received the grace to pray with them and their families piously in their hours of need.

We served God by serving His sick and we honed the art of caring for our patients, their families and one another. We developed strength physically, morally and emotionally. All the while we were learning new skills in many fields of nursing as well as developing interpersonal, social and of course, extra-curricular skills too.

Suddenly it was Graduation Day! May 29<sup>th</sup> 1957....64 of us graduated! How young, healthy, proud and excited we were! Sadly 4 of our classmates have gone on before us to their eternal reward. "God rest their souls in peace". That Grad Day in 1957, after hearing the inspiring Valedictory Address delivered by our own Norma Bell (now Boman) of Niagara Falls, we were prepared to go forth into the world to: Ethiopia (Kay McLeod), Africa, Europe, California, New York, Arizona, Alabama, Michigan, Oregon, Texas, Florida, Pennsylvania, Quebec, British Columbia, Saskatchewan and of course numerous places in Ontario.

Some of us to follow the path of higher education in nursing and other fields, some of us to be become wives and mothers. All of us to use the skills and knowledge we acquired in our training days in whatever path we followed which brings us to this day. Happily 42 of us, not so young, not so healthy, but still proud and excited, are gathered here tonight with all of you to celebrate with one another the love, the caring and the commitment to the needs of our brothers and sisters and fellow human beings. This love, caring, and commitment was instilled in us so many years ago by the dedicated Sisters and Nursing Teachers at St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing here in Hamilton.

We are very blessed to have our Alumnae Association, founded by members of the Class of 1915, these past 92 years. It is through the dedication of many nurses down through the years who often struggled to keep the Alumnae organization going. It was my privilege for many years from 1957 on to be the chauffeur for many of the original Grads to attend the dinner regularly until their passing. I remember fondly: Ann Maloney 1915, Irene Murray 1919, Marg Kelly Coffee 1924, Milli Hayes 1927, Jeanette Simpson and Rosalie Horn Hobson 1924, Frances Allan & Thelma Jenkins 1931, and of course, my dear mother Eileen Gold Arbour 1930, who attended most of the Alumnae dinners over 67 years.

The current Alumnae Executive is in need of new volunteers to serve. The torch must be passed. Please, someone here tonight, will you consider accepting a position so that this wonderful tradition of the annual reunion dinner will survive.

Please rise, and toast with me tonight and for many year to come: Our Alma Mater.



**Maureen Arbour '57**

- 1962**     *She served on the Nurses Alumnae Executive as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President*  
**1963**     *She served on the Nurses Alumnae Executive as the Representative to R.N.A.O.*  
  
**1964**     *A storage room was made available in Fontbonne for all of the Alumnae assets.  
Maureen Arbour Radigan '57 was in charge of listing all assets*

**1964 – 1970**     *She served on the Nurses Alumnae Executive on the Advisory Board*

**Eileen Gold Arbour '30**  
*was Maureen Arbour's mother*

**1956     Membership Tea**  
**Alumnae President: Mrs Russell Fletcher (Ila "Dixie" Watts '47)**  
**Social Convenor: Mrs Thomas Radigan (Maureen Arbour '57)**



**Mary Zahn**

Members of Saint Joseph's Hospital Alumnae Association will begin their fall activities with a Membership Tea, on Monday, in the Church of the Ascension parish hall. Mrs. Russell R. Fletcher will preside at the tea table. Mrs. Thomas Radigan is convenor of the tea and Mrs. Harry Kroes will present a fall millinery show and sale.



**Virginia Sullivan, Cathy Fitzgerald,  
Kathleen McLeod**



**Maureen Arbour '57,  
Isabel Kerr '60**



**Pat Faulkner     Joan Robinson  
Duxbury '66     Phillips '57  
Hospital Tea 2011**



**Joan Robinson     Irene Field**



**Eleanor Trutwin, Beulah Fries, Joan Robinson,  
Valerie Tate, Sandra Stawiany, Frances Bunn,  
Pat LaFlamme, Colleen Moore**





*Ruth Milne '58. Pat LaFlamme '57  
Maureen Arbour '57. Mary Haley '42*



*Patricia LaFlamme Savelli '57    Mary Haley Tilden '42    Marie Andrychuk Yakimoff '54  
Reunion Day 2017*



*Margaret Herron,  
Carmella Cupola*



*Mary Anne Owens, Carol Hoffman,  
Norma Bell*



*Kathy Alexander Patricia LaFlamme  
Jackson '73 Savelli '57  
Reunion Day 2017*



*Pat LaFlamme, Frances Bunn*



*Mary Zahn, Lorraine Luca, Margaret Roth*



*Pat LaFlamme, Carmela Cupola, Concetta Savino,  
Mary Zahn, Theresa Verbickus, Sylvia Hallok*



*Mary Zahn, Valerie Tate, Sandra Stawiany*



*Patricia LaFlamme Savelli*

*Patricia LaFlamme '57*  
**1959**    *Chrysanthemum Ball in November was convened by Patricia LaFlamme '57. The Ball was held at the Brant Inn with music by Wally Mack's Orchestra. Theme of the ball was "Football Time in Crystal Ball Time". The Master of Ceremonies was Norm Marshall. Chrysanthemum corsages were sold at the door*

**1960 – 1961**    *Pat served on the Nurses Alumnae Executive as 2nd Vice President / Programme & Social Convenor*  
**1963**    *Pat served as the Remebrance Convenor*  
**1964 – 1966**    *Pat served as the Prize Convenor / and a member of the Advisory Board*

*Pat taught at St Joseph's School of Nursing from 1958 – 1960. In 1960 she married and then had 3 children. She obtained her Degree in Nursing Education at Western University. She worked part time in I.C.U. from 1964 to 1970. She then worked full time starting in 1971. In 1990 she was teaching the R.N.A. program at Mohawk College. She retired in 1999.*



*Marg Herron, Kay McLeod,  
Pat LaFlamme, Maureen Arbour*



# Lady Missionary Describes Colorful Life In Ethiopia

Mrs. Maurice Hastings chaired the regular monthly meeting of the Alumnae Association of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing at Post-bonne Hall recently.

Members planned to replace the regular March meeting with a Spring Bridge and Euchre, convened by Miss Isobel Kerr.

Miss Ruth Milne, Golden Book for Charity convener, said members had reached their goal of a sewing machine for the student nurse.

Guest speaker was Miss Kathleen MacLeod, Reg.N., a member of the Alumnae Association.

Miss MacLeod is at present home on furlough from Ethiopia, where she spent four and a half years in the mission field.

Before beginning her work Miss MacLeod spent eight months learning the language. She found this difficult because the national language is rather complicated but was worth while since she was able to travel alone and converse freely with the people.

She found the country to be gorgeous with fields of African violets, poinsettias, colorful birds, many valleys and mountains. Because of all the valleys and mountains driving on the winding roads was very treacherous.

The only large animals Miss MacLeod saw were two elephants on their way to a circus in a truck. Smaller animals were very common and every night she would hear the howl of the hyenas as they prowled for food and then the famous "laugh" when they found it.

Pancake Diet

MacLeod found it could adjust to the fleas which were very plentiful but not to

the native diet of pancakes, a mysterious stew and baby bees floating in the honey.

Miss MacLeod spent six months working with the leprosy.

Miss MacLeod spent her remaining time in Ethiopia in a clinic. She was responsible for all diagnosis and treatment of people who came to the clinic. The nearest hospital was three hours away. Patients who came to the clinic often spent six hours traveling to get there.

She found the people to be attractive and animated. Her patients felt that an injection was always necessary in their treatment and would feel resentful if they managed to get better simply by taking pills.

Miss MacLeod was often called on to prescribe medication for the various animals her patients brought with them to the clinic.

Food was a problem. A grocery order was put in every three or four months and tin-

ned goods were so expensive they were a luxury. She had her own vegetable garden and finally mastered the art of bread-making out of necessity.

Miss MacLeod who described her stay in Ethiopia as interesting, satisfying and eye-opening will return to the mission field in August.

Following her informal talk Miss MacLeod showed slides and answered many questions.

The coffee hour was convened by Mrs. Austin Callaghan.

**Newspaper Article Hamilton Spectator**



**Kathleen MacLeod '57**



**Janet Woodcock '57**

**1965**  
Miss Kathleen MacLeod '57, was the guest speaker at the general meeting of the Nurses Alumnae. She was home on furlough. She had been working in the Mission Fields in Ethiopia since 1960.

**1963**  
Nurses in the Mission Field were sent membership and Christmas cards by the Alumnae:  
Sister Paula Marie (Pauline Gibbons '43), Mrs. Janet Woodcock Jackson '57, Miss Kathleen McLeod '57, Miss Muriel Black '43, Miss Arlene Craig '61.



**Margaret Herron, Carol Hoffman, Mildred Witmer**



**Irene Field, Marie Garlow, Beulah Fries**



**Reunion Day 1997  
Joan Russell, Beulah Fries, Eleanor Trutwin**



**Pat LaFlamme '57, Mary Haley '42**



**Marilyn Rebbeck, Bev Ross, Elaine Heller**



**Mary Zahn, Margaret Herron, Irene Field**



**Valerie Tate, Kathleen McLeod**



**Pat LaFlamme, Virginia Sullivan**



**Maureen Arbour, Pat LaFlamme, Joan Robinson**



**Margaret Donnelly, Lorraine Forbes, Eleanor Trutwin**



**Helen Walsh, Mary Anne Owen, Valerie Tate**



**Lorraine Forbes, Marie Garlow, Beulah Fries, Margaret Herron**



**Norma Bell, Elaine Haller, Marion McCain, Beverly Ross, Marilyn Rebbeck, Colleen Moore**





**Marg Herron, Pat LaFlamme  
Helen Walsh, Joan Robinson, Maureen Arbour  
Reunion Day 2018**

*Following graduation in 1957, Irene applied to work in the Delivery area at St Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton.*

*Sister Virginia asked her to work in the O.R. as they were short staffed. Sister promised Irene that she could later transfer to Delivery. Fortunately, Irene liked working in the Operating Room and spent her entire career there.*

*In the John Street building, the Tonsil Room was just outside the O.R. Tonsil surgery was performed by "G.P.'s. They also administered ether for the surgery. Sister Mary Daniel asked Irene to work permanently in the tonsil room and granted her straight day shift with weekends off. Irene married and had 2 sons.*

*The O.R. moved to the Mary Grace Wing in 1962. Anaesthesia department became very complex with new procedures, medications and equipment. Irene was asked to be the "anaesthetic charge nurse". She retired in 1997.*



**Irene Field  
Monas '57**



**Katie Progar Piva '55, Dr J.E.M. Young,  
Irene Field Monas '57**



**Marie Garlow, Joan Robinson, Concetta Savino**



**Florence Fearman '38 was Irene's aunt.  
Carolyn Field '62 is Irene's sister.**



**Irene Field Monas '57 Cheryl Gravelin McQueen '66  
Selling 50 / 50 tickets Reunion Day 2019**



**Maureen Arbour, Colleen Moore, Pat LaFlamme,  
Mary Zahn, Joan Robinson, Valerie Tate, Kay McLeod,  
Concetta Savino Reunion Day 2015**



**Gisele St Amour '67, Beverly Shynal '70,  
Joan Robinson '57 Alumnae Tea 2015**



**Mary Zahn Byrne '57, Joan Robinson '57,  
Kathleen McLeod '57, Sandra Pendakis '59,  
Marie Andreychuk Yakimoff '54  
Alumnae Tea 2015**



**Ruth Milne '58, Pat LaFlamme '57  
Maureen Arbour '57, Mary Haley '42, Theresa Lobsinger '45**



**Bev Ross, Frances Bunn, Marg Roth,  
Joan Robinson, Mary Zahn, Irene Fields**



Celebrating



60 years



*Helen Walsh, Irene Field, Maureen Arbour, Joan Robinson, Marg Herron, Pat LaFlamme, Norma Bell, Beulah Fries, Mary Zahn  
Reunion Day 2017*

*Material in this presentation was gathered  
from several sources:*

- Vox Omnium Yearbook 1957*
- newspaper articles in the Hamilton Spectator*
- Alumnae Minutes & articles from the  
archives at the Motherhouse*
- photos from reunion day celebrations*

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Patricia LaFlamme Savelli  
Irene Field Monas  
Joan Robinson Phillips*

*for providing their photos and information  
and for identifying their classmates.*