Our Annual Reunion Day Mass and Luncheon that was to take place Thursday May 26, 2022 has now been cancelled due to the Covid-19 global crisis.



All St. Joseph's Grads, St. Joseph's Campus of Mohawk College Grads, Nursing Instructors, Past Alumnae Members and Nursing Friends of the Alumnae

ANNUAL REUNION DAY MASS and LUNCHEON

Message from our President

A New Year is upon us and we are in interesting and challenging times!

The COVID-19 pandemic changed how we lived and celebrated in 2020, 2021 and continues to affect us in 2022. Things looked promising recently, but it appears the situation may be a little uncertain for the next while once again. Many restrictions have been lifted. But Covid is still a force to reckon with!

We deeply regret having to cancel our Reunion Day Mass and Luncheon for the third time, but we just couldn't take the chance with our members safety and health. We are a large group of an aging population now ... many of us with some health issues.

Being uncertain if we could have our 300+ Alumnae in one room and the lead time required to plan and execute the reunion, made the decision to cancel, the correct and safe decision to make. We are ever hopeful to have Reunion Day in May 2023 and the venue (Michaelangelo's in Hamilton) has been secured for Thursday May 25th, 2023.

> Be well and please stay safe. Your President, Kristine Brock Rogers '69

Accomplishments of the executive in the past year include the updated and fresh new look to our website. Content revisions are ongoing by Kristine, the website coordinator with huge support of the archival material amassed by Connie Prowse'69 and Janina Berenyi'65.

The updating of our membership database has been contracted out and the revisions are led by Pat Duxbury'66, our Membership Secretary and Teresa Maas'74, one of our Luncheon Coordinators.

The Liaison to the Sisters' role is now jointly shared by our Mass Coordinators, Judy Cleary'67 and Diane Poehlman'71B

The Executive remains committed to our work and regular meeting via ZOOM continue.

All updates will be sent to you via the newsletters and our website, www.sjsnaa.com

Want to Volunteer?

If you enjoy being a member of our Alumnae, enjoy reading the Newsletters and browsing through our website, and most importantly, attending the annual Reunion Day Luncheon and Mass, it might be time to consider volunteering to become a member of the Executive. If you have a few hours a month and live nearby, the Executive would be happy to have some new members come on board. Mentoring into one of the positions on the Executive is available and we would welcome some new faces and fresh ideas!

We meet monthly (currently on Zoom) from September to November and January to June. There is flexibility for those members who travel for a time in the winter months as well. We have remained strong as one of the largest and most active Nursing Alumnae across Canada, even though we haven't had any graduates since 1978!

If you are a graduate of St. Joseph's School of Nursing or St. Joseph's Campus of Mohawk College, please consider becoming involved. Any member of the Executive would be happy to discuss their roles and mentor a new member through the process. We want to remain as active as we have been all along!

Congratulations to 12 Honorary Recipients in 2022!

Suzanne Neubauer Hayes '62 Carolyn Guse Krar '68 Virginia Rizzo '73 Judy Flynn Skarrat '62 **Gail Beamer Tempest '68** Dana Ditmars Walters '67 Judy Schmidt Sloan '73

Patricia Patterson Baker '62 (deferred) Helen Reeker Henderson '61 (deferred) Sheila Todd Maggio '72 (deferred) Carolyn Field Olaski '62 (deferred) Joan Robinson Phillips '57 (deferred)

(deferrals are from 2021 and 2022)

Honorary status is awarded to members who have achieved 25 years of continuous Alumnae Membership, in recognition of their dedication to their Nursing Alumnae. New Honorary Members are presented with a beautiful gold pin usually at the Alumnae Luncheon in May. Pins are being mailed out to those who have requested it and others have deferred receipt next year (2023), when we have our Annual Reunion Day celebration.







Olaski'62



Dana Ditmars Walters'67



Patricia Patterson

Baker'62

Helen Reeker Henderson'61





Sheial Todd Maggio'72





Gail Beamer Tempest'68





Judy Schmidt Sloan'73



Graduates Celebrating Special Anniversaries in 2022

1972, celebrating 50 years 1952, celebrating 70 years 1957, celebrating 65 years 1962, celebrating 60 years 1967, celebrating 55 years 1977, celebrating 45 years

We would like to make special mention to two remaining graduates from 1947, who are Honorary Active members as well, Eileen Hunter '47 and Winnie Walker '47, who are celebrating 75 years!!!



Eileen Hunter'47 Winnifred Walker '47 Reunion Day 2007



Winifred Walker '47, Eileen Hunter '47 Reunion Day 2016

Donations

We are happy to accept donations, either monetary or items of interest, to the Alumnae. They are always put to good use or preserved within the Alumnae.

The Alumnae continues to support various groups. We have donated to St. Joseph's Villa for client needs, Margaret's Place Hospice and to St. Joseph's Hospital to their Covid Fund.



REUNION DAY 2022

ANNIVERSARY YEARS CELEBRATION

Anniversary Classes 1915 – 1937 ppt

Class of 1942 – celebrating 80 years ppt Class of 1947 – celebrating 75 years ppt Class of 1952 – celebrating 70 years ppt Class of 1957 - celebrating 65 years ppt Class of 1962 – celebrating 60 years ppt Class of 1967 – celebrating 55 years ppt Class of 1972 – celebrating 50 years ppt Class of 1977 – celebrating 45 years ppt