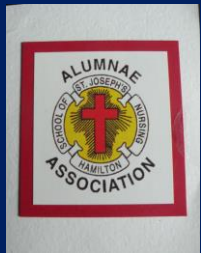




REUNION DAY 2025

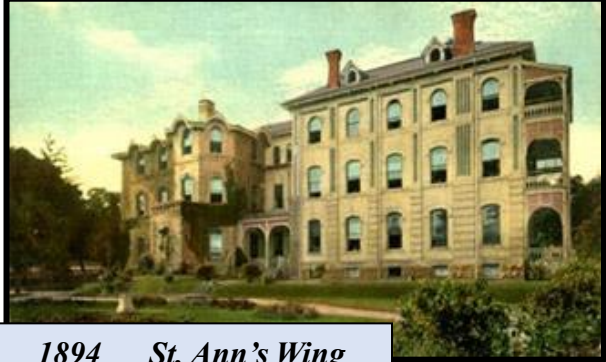
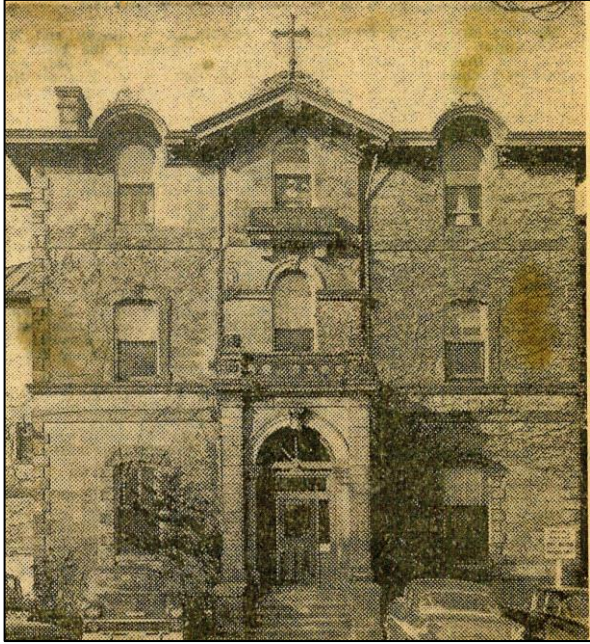
ANNIVERSARY YEARS CELEBRATION

1915 - 1950





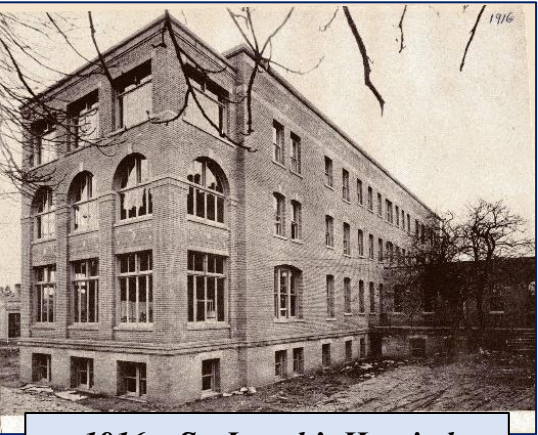
June 11, 1890 St. Joseph's Hospital



1894 St. Ann's Wing



1905 St. Joseph's Hospital



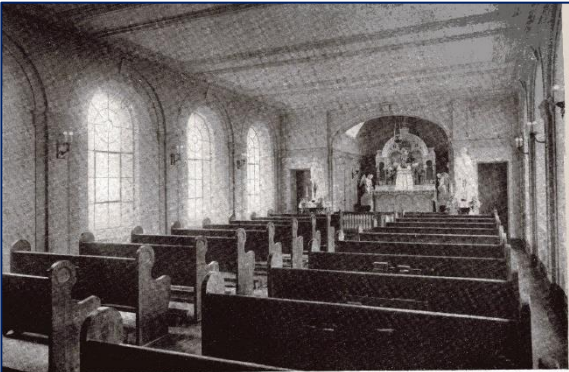
1916 St. Joseph's Hospital

The Sisters of St. Joseph
respectfully request the honor of your
presence at the
Formal Opening of the New Wing
of St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton, Ontario
at eight o'clock p. m., on
Thursday, October the twelfth
nineteen hundred and sixteen

1916 St. Joseph's Hospital



Airing Balcony—ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL 1916



CHapel—ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL 1917
1917 St. Joseph's Hospital Chapel



1915
Sister St. Basil designed St Joseph's Graduate Pin



GRADUATES 1915

The first two students entered the school of nursing on September 8, 1911

The remainder of graduates entered at various times until a sufficient number was reached in order to have a graduation.

Graduation took place on January 22, 1915.

The ground was covered with a great white blanket. The impressive and elaborate ceremony took place at 8 pm in the lecture hall amidst prominent members of the Hamilton clergy, laity and medical professions who together with friends and relatives, enjoyed the musical programme prepared by the 9 young graduates.

A handsomely engraved medal, given for outstanding work, and huge bouquets of pink roses were presented to the nurses.

Following Graduation exercises the nurses returned to duty with their patients.

Entered 1911 Ada Egan
 Sister M. Gerard Moran

Entered 1914 Helen Carroll
 Lillian Furrey
 Clara Grant
 Mabel Grant
 Angela Halloran
 Ella Kelly
 Anne Maloney
 Annie McGinnity
 Jean Morin

Sister M. Vincent Bergin
 Sister M. Loretto Gainer





Ella Kelly '15
1st President of the Nurses Alumnae

**Nursing Sister
At St. Joseph's
Dies In Hospital**

JULY 6/57 1957

Sister M. Vincent Bergin, of Guelph, a member of the sisters of St. Joseph, Hamilton diocese, died Saturday at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Born in Guelph she had spent most of her life nursing at St. Joseph's Hospital.

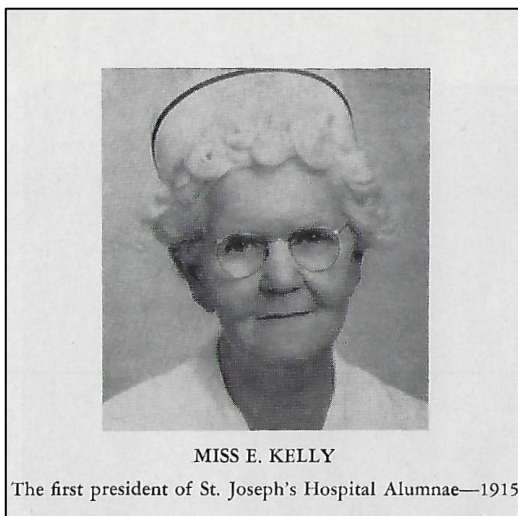
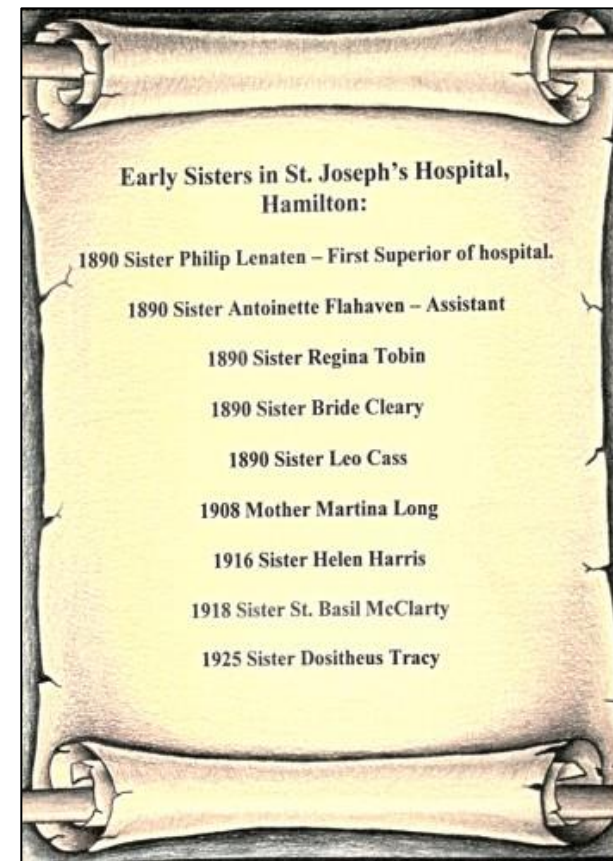
Surviving are her brother, the Rev. John Bergin, SJ, of Toronto; three sisters, Mother M. Adelina, of Loretta Academy, of Niagara Falls, Ont., Mrs. Anna O'Brien of Guelph, and Mrs. Agnes McAstocker, of Havre, Mon.

Funeral Mass was held today at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph's Hospital Chapel. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Sister M. Vincent Bergin '15

✂ That in the late 1890's, the "*sister-teachers*" of the Sisters of St. Joseph's went to the 25 bed hospital to do the hospital laundry each weekend.

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Jean Morin '15

1933 – 1934 served as the District Representative to the R.N.A.O. on the Nurses Alumnae Executive

1935 – 1936 served on the Executive Committee

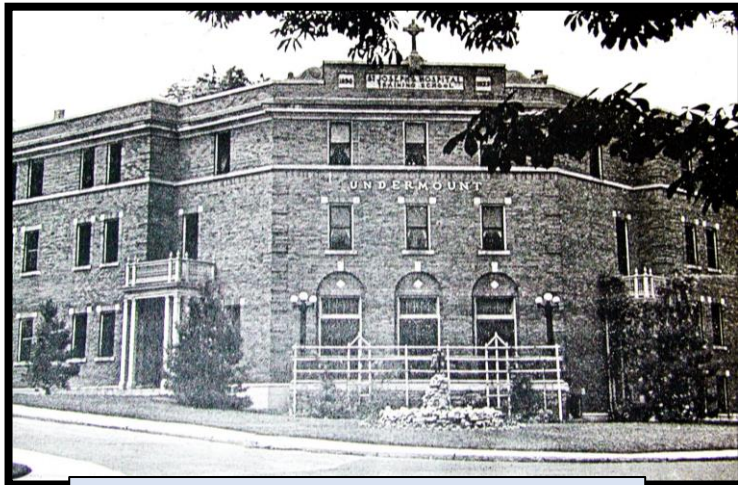
Anne Maloney '15

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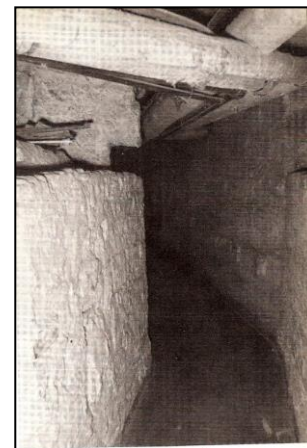
1935 – 1936 served as the Vice President



1911 St. Joseph's School of Nursing



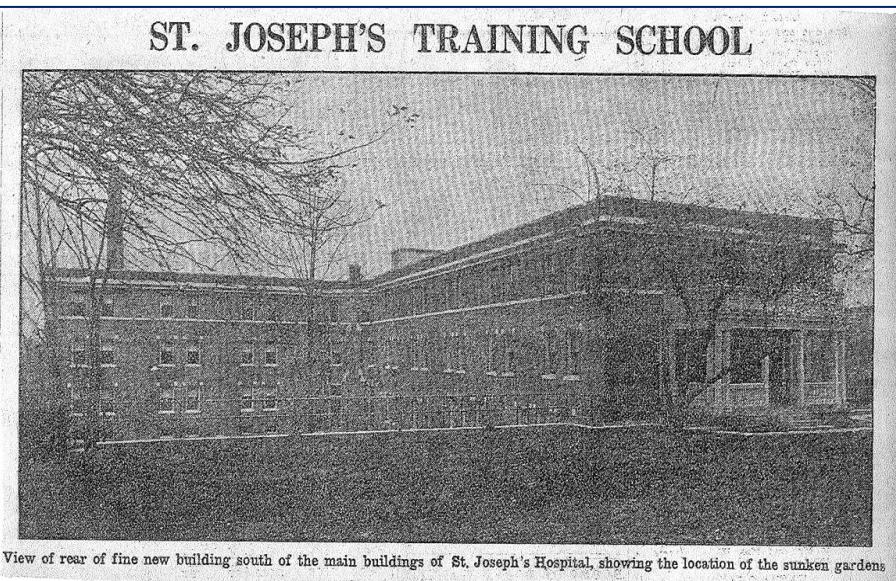
**1922 Undermount Nurses Residence
Opened November 28, 1922**



**Tunnel from the school
to the main hospital**

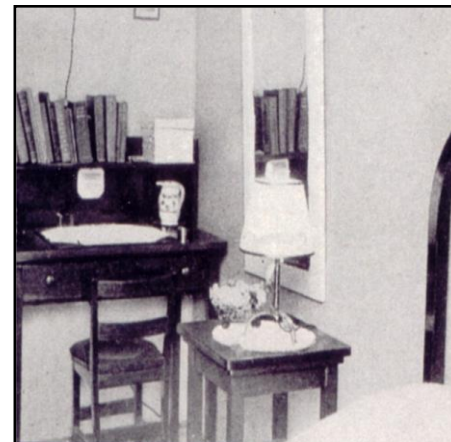


1922 Undermount Nurses Residence



Student Bedrooms & Study Areas

**The building was erected at a cost of \$155,000
The furnishings cost another \$18,000 for a total cost of \$176,000**



Classrooms



Graduates from the 1st class "1915" at the Nurses Graduation Dinner in 1947

Reunion Day 1947



Eva Moran '20 Doris Crossley '32 Sister St Edward '32 Elizabeth Quinn '20

*Anne Maloney'15 Sister St. Basil Jean Morin'15 Sister St. Gerard'15 Ella Kelly'15
graduate 1900*



Genevieve Boyes'17 Margery Lenhardt'16 Nora Finn'18 Helen Fagan'17



Mrs. Webster (Jean Laidlaw), Miss F. Ruffing, Miss M. Reding, Mrs. Muir(A. Smith
Miss B. Clohecy, Mrs. Markle(D. Crossley), Miss F. O'Brien

Back row (left to right)

*Jean Laidlaw '37
Frances Ruffing '48
Marguerite Reding '43
Agnes Smith '34*

Front row (left to right)

*Bernadette Clohecy '43
Doris Crossley '32
Frances O'Brien '41*

GRADUATION 1920

No graduation photo available for the class of 1920
Record book identifies 21 graduates



GRADUATES 1920

Eva Bedford
Lee Blatz
Marie Bulhman
Gertrude Callon
Helen Nellie Cartnell
Katherine Crane
Stella Downey
Edith Galloway
Helen Hendry
Clare Himmins
Florence Irving
Loretta Moore
Eva Moran
Frances Quinlan
Elizabeth Quinn
Mary Robb
Helen Spain

Sister M. Alfonsa
Sister M. Aloysius
Sister M. Hiliary
Sister M. St. Patrick



A happy incident took place at the graduation dinner, given by the Alumnae Association of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, on this year's graduation day, at Foster's Hall, when Miss Elizabeth Quinn was presented with a lifetime membership in the association. Left to right are seen Mrs. Tom Wainley, Mrs. Quinn, Miss Mary Fitzgerald, president of the association, (who made the presentation) and Mrs. Ben McKinnon, -beverage costs.

Edith Galloway '20 Elizabeth Quinn '20 Mary Fitzgerald '47 Doris Crossley '32

At the Graduation Dinner 1951, Elizabeth Quinn '20 was presented with a Lifetime Membership in the Nurses Alumnae

HOLD MASS FOR YOUNG NURSES

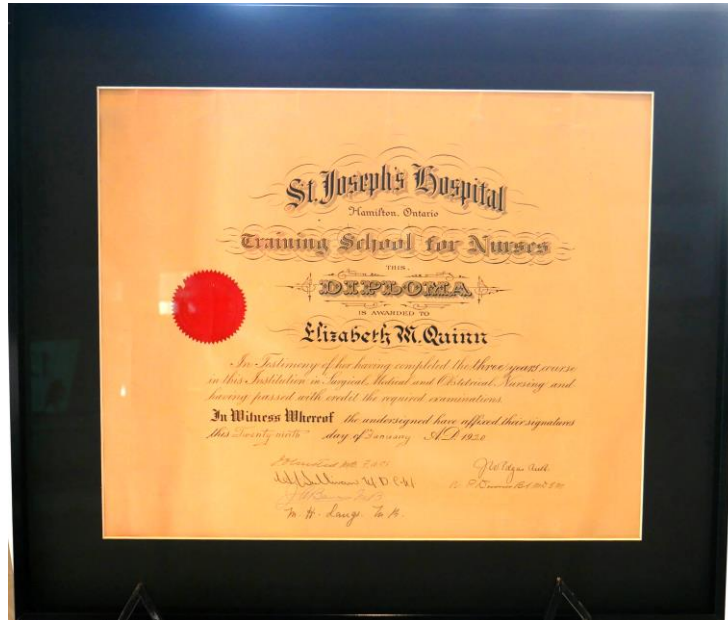
— 1920 —
**Hospital Chapel Scene of
Impressive Ceremony
Today**

GRADUATION exercises, which will be held at 3.30 this afternoon at St. Joseph's Hospital, were preceded by graduation mass this morning at 6.30 in the hospital chapel. All the nurses attended, garbed in their blue and white service uniforms. Very Rev. Dean G. L. Cassidy of St. Patrick's Church was the celebrant and after mass he addressed the nurses. The pupil nurses' sodality choir sang during the mass.

A special breakfast was served afterwards in the nurses' dining hall, which was prettily decorated with flowers for the occasion.

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***Graduation Diploma Elizabeth M. Quinn '20
January 29, 1920***



***Signatures of Witnesses to this Diploma
I. Olmstead M.D.
H.J. Sullivan M.D.
J.A. Balfe M.D.
M.H. Lang M.D.
J. Edgar M.D.
W.P. Downes B.A., M.D., C.M.***

Elizabeth Quinn

***1934 – 1936 served as the 4th President of the Nurses Alumnae Executive
1934 - 1934 served on the Executive Committee
1942 – 1943 served on the Investigating Committee
1942 – 1947 served on the Executive Committee
1949 – 1950 served as Vice President***

Katherine Crane

1935 – 1937 served on the Executive Committee of the Nurses Alumnae Executive

Eva Moran

***1933 – 1934 served as the 3rd President of the Nurses Alumnae Executive
1935 – 1937 served on the Executive Committee
1942 – 1944 served on the Nominating Committee***

Edith Galloway

***1949 – 1951 served on the Executive Committee of the Nurses Alumnae Executive
1951 – 1953 served as 2nd Vice President***

GRADUATION 1925

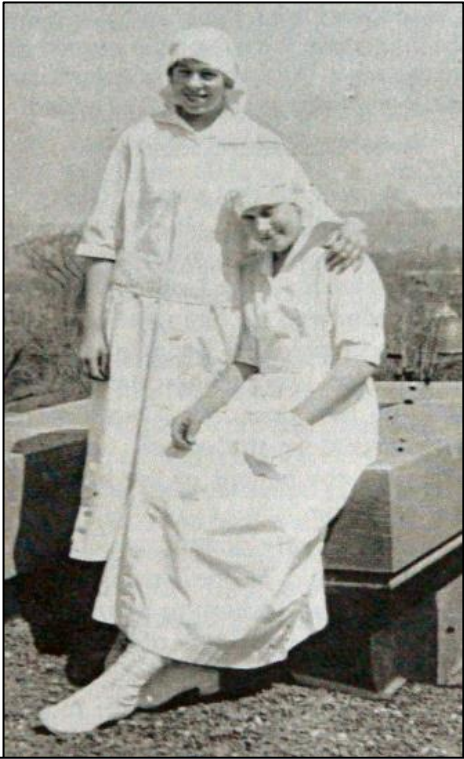


Left to right

GRADUATION 1925

Front Row: Rosalie Horan, Cecilia Dietrich, Teresa Rafferty, Edith Digby, Janet McGowan, Margaret Brick, Jeanette Eaglesham, Clara Weishar, Irene Lonergan

Back Row: Margaret Dunigan, Florence Nicholson, Agnes Clancy, Rose Schmaltz, Canavan Bride, Regina Nagle, Vera Guay, Ferdian Duggan, Grace Link, Florence Young



*Edith Digby Majeske '25 & Rose Schmaltz Moody '25
working in the O.R.*



Margaret Dunigan Hayes '25



*Jeanette Eaglesham Simpson '25, Sister Loretto Gainor '10
with O.R. Instruments*

*Florence Nicholson '25
1933 – 1934 served as Vice President on the Nurses Alumnae Executive
1969 – 1972 served as Treasurer*



Jeanette Eaglesham '25
(Newsletter 1989)



Rose Schmalz '25
(Newsletter 1989)



Grace Link '25



□ These women graduated from St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing in 1925.

Need a nurse? You'll find 700 of them at reunion this week

IF YOU are going to feel a little woozy — you know, out of sorts — one day this week, pick Thursday.

Now that you have settled on the proper day, I'll tell you what to do. Look up Jeanette Eaglesham, Rosalie Horan or Rose Schmalz. In the afternoon you'll find them in the auditorium at Fontbonne Hall on James St. S. and in the evening at the Hamilton Convention Centre.

They're the ones to find if you're not feeling all that hot. Maybe you should ask for Jeanette Simpson, Rosalie Hobson and Rose Ziemert. Those are their married

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Jerry Ormond

names. But back in 1925 they went by Eaglesham, Horan and Schmalz. Ya, back in '25 when they graduated from St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing.

Now if those three happen to be too busy to help you get well again, I'm sure they will be able to direct you to some other St. Joe's nurse. There will be enough of them around that day! Probably more than 700. Think of it, 700 St. Joseph's nurses. Heck, I might just get myself sick that day so's I can go down and get some tender lovin' care!

Yes, oodles and oodles of St. Joseph's grads will be in town for their annual reunion day and dinner. This year marks the hospital's 100th anniversary and the 75th

anniversary of the first graduating class.

The school of nursing accepted its first students in 1911 and graduated its final class in 1974. More than 3,000 women and men were graduated during the lifespan of the school.

Tickets to the dinner are available by calling 527-6029. Phone now, today's your last chance for tickets.

P.S.: I have included a picture of Jeanette, Rosalie and Rose for you so you will be able to identify them. Rose is fourth from the left in the back row. Jeanette is third from the right in the front row and Rosalie is on the far left, front row. The women may have changed just a bit since the picture was taken but not much. The photo is of the 1925 graduating class.

P.S.S.: The nurses are still looking for pictures of some graduating classes. They have them all except the years 1920, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 29, 30 and 1939. If you have any let me know and I'll make arrangements to get them to the St. Joseph's Nurses Alumnae Association.

Reunion Day 1989

GRADUATES 1930

No graduation photo available for the class of 1930
Record book indicates 24 graduates

Myrtle Atkins
Alma Bambrick
Laura Byrnes
Kathleen Dowling
Doris Easton
Eileen Golden
Janet Henderson
Lillian Jackson
Kathleen Kieffer
Kathleen Lane
Grace Leavey
Edith Leitch
Dorothy Long
Dorothy MacIntosh
Mabel MacIntosh
Anne Pree
Anne Reid
Maude Smythe
Louisa Snyder
Kathleen Waechter
Vera Wilson
Mary Wolfe



Sister Geraldine Campbell

Sister M. Raphael Sweeney
Sister Geraldine Campbell

Myrtle MacIntosh '30

1933 – 1934 served as Secretary on the Nurses Alumnae Executive

Dorothy Long '30

1933 – 1934 served on the Executive Committee of the Nurses Alumnae Executive

Admission Requirements 1930

REQUIREMENT FOR ADMISSION

The general rules of the School are such as any earnest self-respecting woman will recognize as essential to the requirements of a professional education.

Candidates for admission into the School must be between the ages of Nineteen and Thirty. Exceptions are sometimes made if other requirements are met by desirable candidates.

Classes are formed in February and September of each year.

Complete application forms comprise the following:

Application Blank.

Preliminaries showing educational equipment.

Physician's certificate as to health, which should include vaccination certificate. Dentist's certificate as to the condition of teeth.

A letter from a clergyman testifying as to moral character.

Candidates residing in Hamilton or vicinity will be required to make a personal application.

Two years of High School or its equivalent is required. Young women who have had special training in scientific branches, as Chemistry, Physiology, Domestic Science, Commercial Course, may receive allowances as equivalents.

When candidate's application and credentials are approved, the candidate will be notified by the Superintendent of Nurses. Time for preparation for entering into the School is given and detailed instructions furnished.

The course of training is three years, and in the formation of its schedule of study the School fulfils the requirements of the Ontario Board of Registration of Nurses. The curriculum is arranged so as to give the students a well-balanced course in theory and practice. Examinations are held at the end of the Preliminary Course; lecture courses are also followed by examination.

At the end of the Probationary Period, acceptance of the pupil by the Superintendent of the School is based on general ability, physical health, conduct on and off duty, and credits received in Preliminary Practical, and Theoretical Work.

Pupils will not be allowed during training to absent themselves to nurse sick relatives at home, or for personal reasons. Only in extreme cases will leave of absence be given.

A pupil may be dismissed at any time during the three years for misconduct or inefficiency in either Practical or Theoretical Work.

The Hospital Authorities reserve the right to recall the medal from any graduate who shall in any way bring discredit on the school.

When accepted they make an agreement to conform and subject themselves to the rules and discipline of the Hospital and School.

Pupils will receive gratuitous medical care from their entrance. Time lost must be made up at the end of term.

The following expense allowance will be paid to Pupil Nurses:

- (a) Six Dollars monthly for the last eight months of first year.
- (b) Seven Dollars monthly for the second year.
- (c) Eight Dollars monthly for third year.

Pupils are to make good any damage or breakage caused by themselves.

The hours of duty are:—For Day Nurses, from 7.00 a.m. till 7.00 p.m.; for Night Nurses, from 7.00 p.m. till 7.00 a.m.

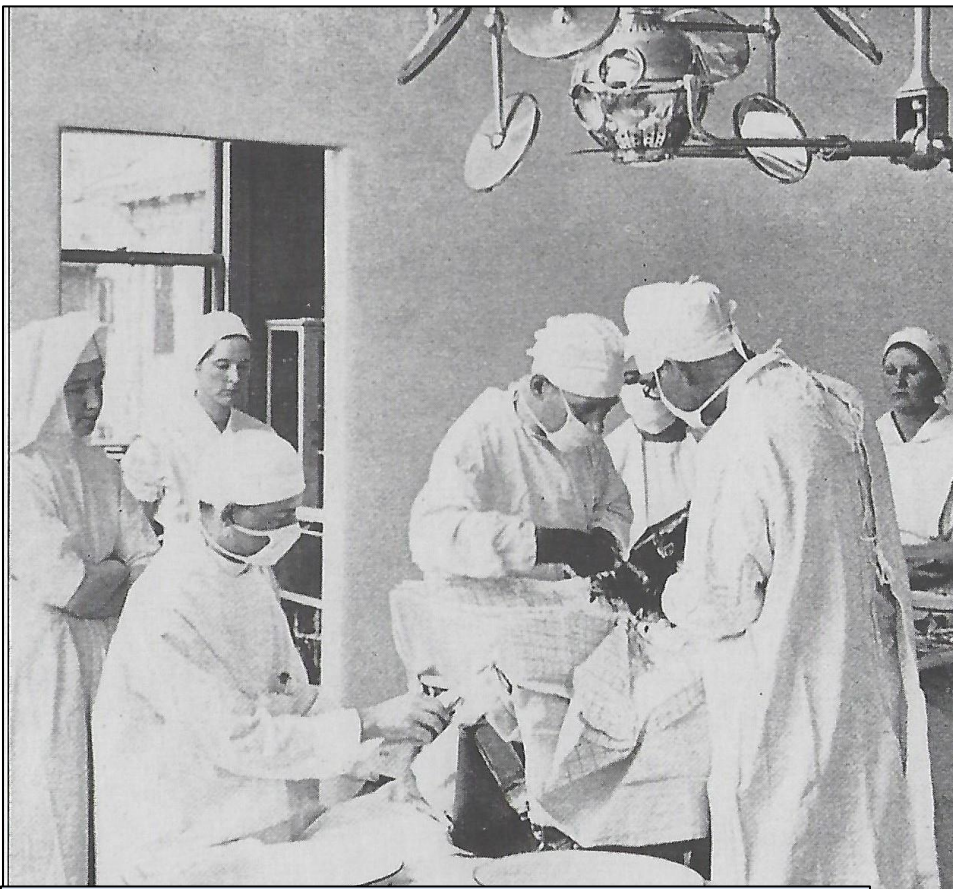
Two hours daily are allowed for rest and recreation. On Sundays three hours are allowed. These, however, are subject to the requirements of the work. One afternoon each week from 1.00 p.m.

A vacation of two weeks is allowed each year at the time most convenient to the Institution.

Those who complete the course satisfactorily and pass the final examinations, shall be entitled to a Medal and Diploma, under the seal of the hospital.

SIGNED.....

RETURN THIS PAPER SIGNED.



Not everyone wore masks in the Operating room of the 1930s.

St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton



This hospital was opened on June 11th, 1890. The building on John Street South which, as the home of Honourable John Young, had been known as "Undermount," was purchased by the late Bishop Dowling for an episcopal residence. It was decided, however, to convert it into a hospital under the direction of the Sisters of St. Joseph, four of whom undertook its establishment—Mother M. Philip Lenatin, Superior, and Sisters M. Bride Cleary, M. Regina Tobin and M. Dymrna Sullivan.

The original stone building which forms the administrative wing of the present hospital had a capacity of twenty-five beds. To this, St. Ann's wing was added in 1902 which increased the capacity to fifty beds, surgical and medical. The addition of a surgical wing of seventy-five beds was made in 1916, and the department of obstetrics, which had been opened in 1912, was in 1924 transferred to Casa Maria, the former Bisby residence.

The home of the late Adam Brown was acquired and used as a Nurses' residence and training school in 1911. The first class of nurses graduated in 1914. The expansion of the hospital and the consequent growth of the training school necessitated, in 1922, the building of the present modern and very attractive Nurses' Residence and School, known as "Undermount."

In 1929 a fireproof domestic residence was completed which provides accommodation for the employees and the staff of the hospital.

Our Lady of Victory wing, built in 1941, added a new suite of five operating rooms and a central supply room, as well as further bed accommodation.

Sr. Mary Dymrna Dies at Hamilton

In the death of Sister Mary Dymrna which occurred on Friday evening, January 18, the Sisters of St. Joseph, Hamilton, lost one of the oldest and most revered members of the Community.

Daughter of the late John Sullivan and Catharine Brennan, early settlers of Owen Sound and exemplary Catholics, Sister Dymrna entered the Community as a young girl, and devoted her entire life to the service of God.

God was munificent in bestowing on Sister Dymrna rare spiritual gifts to which she, with the evident determination of imitating Christ, as far as humanly possible, responded generously throughout the fifty-six years of her religious life. In her care of the sick, the old, the poor, the afflicted, she manifested a zealous devotion and revealed the beauty of her character and the sincerity of the sacrifice of her life as a true spouse of Christ. The Community seeing her holiness, prudence and executive ability placed her in positions of trust to all of which she brought the same spirit, the same indefatigable labor. In her humility her self-effacement, she sedulously shunned the attention and honor attached to the office she held.

With the sole motive of pleasing God and fulfilling His Will, she gave herself to her work, quietly and entirely, seeking the approval of Him only for Whom she labored so faithfully. The traditions of the Community were especially dear to her, and remarkable for fidelity in the observance of the Holy Rule, she strove to inculcate and maintain the spirit that inspired the early members of the Community.

One of the three Sisters who formed the first staff of St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton, she maintained a keen interest in its development and expansion. While holding the office of Superior in St. Joseph's Hospital Guelph, she successfully completed the extension of the building. After fifteen years as Mother Assistant at St. Joseph's Convent, Hamilton, she returned in 1942 to the staff of St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton. The failing strength, inevitable with the passing years, evoked no complaint from the lips of this truly gentle servant of God; and until two days prior to her death, she faithfully completed the duties of the charge assigned her. Hers was the rare privilege to assist at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and receive Holy Communion until almost the end. Fortified with the Sacraments of the Church and all its benedictions her life closed peacefully and she passed to her eternal reward.

Solemn high Mass of requiem was celebrated in the chapel of the Motherhouse by Rt. Rev. J. F. Hinchey, assisted by Rev. Jos. McCowell and Rev. J. A. O'Brien as deacon and subdeacon. Present in the sanctuary were: Rt. Rev. Jos. Englert, Rev. L. Batte, C. R., Rev. J. J. Hennessey, S. J., Rev. T. F. Mulhail, Rev. V. Priestley, Rev. A. J. O'Brien, Rev. P. Bodendistel, Rev. J. L. Wilhelm, Rev. L. Ryan.

The pallbearers were: Leonard Walsh, John Walsh, Joseph Sullivan, James Sullivan, Terrance Hamilton nephews of the deceased and Dr. W. P. Downes.

Surviving are two brothers, John Sullivan, Detroit, Mich., Edward Sullivan, Toronto, and two sisters, Mrs. Edward O'Connor, Walkerton, and Mrs. H. J. Nelly, Evanston, Ill.

Committal prayers in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery were said by Re. Rev. J. F. Hinchey, assisted by Rev. J. L. McBride and Rev. T. F. Mulhail. R.I.P.

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Mother M. Philip Lenatin, Superior

Sister M. Bride Cleary

Sister M. Regina Tobin

Sister M. Dymrna Sullivan

GRADUATION 1935



GRADUATION 1935

Left to right: Anna McCowell, Rachael Weatherill, Joan Morris, Gwen Zuber, Elsie Hart, Ethel Christopher, Leah Culver, Eileen Enderby, Doris Murphy, Miss Roach (Instructress),
Miss Webster (Instructress), Agnes Nicholson, Nellie Misner, Marie Haslam, Phyllis Atwell, Florence Palmer, Rita Churchill, Marjorie Marr, Dorothy Telfer,
Ruth Lumsden

Gwendolyn Zuber (Sister Norbert Farrell)

Absent from photo: Ella Mae O'Neill (Sister Dominica)

Agnes Nicholson Hayes 1910-2004

St. Joseph's School of Nursing Class of 1935

Agnes was born in 1910 and raised in the farming community of West Monkton, ON near Stratford. Following graduation from St. Joseph's in 1935, she worked in a hospital in Detroit, Michigan until her marriage to Austin Hayes in 1938. Austin owned and ran the Esso Gas Station at the corner of York and Dundurn Sts.in Hamiltonfor many years an old familiar landmark now replaced by a hotel. They raised 4 boys- Walter, Austin, and twins Peter and Paul. As her family grew, Agnes returned to her love for nursing and was employed by the Private Duty Nursing Registry in Hamilton in the 50's and early 60's. She then took a position at the Hamilton Psychiatric Hospital in the Infirmary and worked there until her retirement at age 65 yrs.in 1975.

Agnes and Austin then moved to Maple Ridge B.C. to be closer to their children and grandchildren now living there. Agnes loved "the West" but being idle was not her style! She was soon out looking for opportunities to continue in her nursing career when many her age were preparing for retirement! She took a position as the afternoon nurse in charge of a large Seniors Intermediate Care Centre and worked full time for 11 years until her retirement in 1987 at age 77yrs. She spent the next few months caring for her husband Austin who died in Jan. 1988.

Agnes continued to keep busy enjoying and helping with her grandchildren and travelling to various destinations in Canada and the US to spend time with relatives.

She was active and continued to be independent right up to her last few months when emergency bowel surgery proved to be too much for her. She died in Sept.2004 at age 94 yrs.

She will always be remembered as the epitome of what a nurse should be....caring, kind, patient, gentle, cheerful and loved by all who knew her, family and friends alike.

I am honoured to have followed in her footsteps as a graduate of St. Joseph's School of Nursing, Class of 1962.

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzanne Neubauer Hayes '62
(Daughter-in-law)



BACK ROW: *Ruth Lumsden, Rachal Weatherill, Rita Churchill, Marie Haslem, Doris Murphy, Dorothy Roadhouse, Florence Palmer, Joan Morris, Gwendolyn Zuber, Anna McCowell*
SEATED: *Marjorie Marr, Ethel Christopher, Phylis Atwell, Agnes Nicholson, Leah Culver, Eileen Enderby, Elsie Hart, Dorothy Telfer*
MISSING FROM PHOTO: *Nellie Misner*



Anna McCowell '35



Florence Palmer '35



Rachael Weatherill '35

"Ye Newe Senior Classe"

HAVING obtained permission from Sistere Monica, who is mistress of nurses, I walked into the classe halle and behelde 21 wenches, dressed in blue and whiyte, all looking verye comely and intelligent.

First there happened Mistress Telfere, a quiet, winsome lass with black, curlye haire; then came goldened haired, azure-eyed Nurse Atwell. Methinks Nelle Gwyn lacketh in capers such as she! Mistress Harte, betwixt, of Spanish origin, who would looke welle with any courtier in our Queen's Companye. Wherein appears 'Chris', with turned up chin which betoken determination which wille carrye her far. The nexte seat was emptye, but I perceived a little maiden, cleaning the blackboard with much vigore ah yes! **Mistress Nicholson** sits there, when she doth set. What now! so sleepy head bente lowe, when raiseth, perceiveth Mistress Culver, with dewy lids o'er merrye blue eyes; but she be too fond of horses and have bow-legs! Cometh nexte Mistress Enderbye, whose smoothe, haughtye complexion woulde make our Queene Elizabeth verie envious, when mine eyes behelde a quiet damsel with so shining auburn hair. May thou shine always in spirit as welle, Mistress Marr. Mistress McCowell sits verie straight, thus giving hint of character, which is of best.

Then mye hearte go pitter-patter, for there reclines a ladye with as sweet a face as ever I see, **Mistress Murphy**; without a doubt she must be Irish with name and face so round as that. Observe ye

well next damsel, **Mistress Roadhouse**, so be it she would barely come to Sir Franklin's waiste, but methinks she coulde holde her own with that same young rake.

Who be that maiden with shining halo round about? You reply 'Mistress Weatherill, tis her faire curls which maketh halo so bright.' Methinks tis something else besides.

Then cometh **Mistress Churchill**. Let poets write of those smiling Irish eyes, tis not for such as I. Hark! What voice so sweetly singing:

*"For her love I carke, and care,
For her love I droop, and dare,
For her love my bliss is blare,
And I wax wan."*

Tis a love sick knight, who hath travelled over the king's highway from that wondrous cite Kingston.

Written by Joan Morris '35

Agnes Nicholson '35
1942 – 1943 served on the Dinner Committee of the Nurses Alumnae Executive

SEPTEMBER CLASS 1935

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Nellie Misner

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Gwen Zuber

Marie Haslem

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Joan Morris

Florence Palmer

(Sister M. St. Norbert)

Sister M. Domenica

FEBRUARY CLASS 1935

Eva Armstrong

Ethel Christopher

Eileen Enderby

Marjorie Marr

Dorothy Telfer

Phyllis Atwell

Leah Culver

Elsie Hart

Agnes Nicholson

Joan Morris '35

MORRIS, Joan Marian
Peacefully in her sleep at St. Elizabeth's Villa on March 22, 2013 in her 104th year. She is survived by several nieces and nephews including, Joan E., Tim (Deb Mayberry), John (Susanne), Howard (Joan P.), Ruth (Rod Chisholm) and Margaret (Noel Brien), as well as other relatives, including her great-great-nephew. A 1920's graduate of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, Aunt Joan practised for many years as a hospital nurse in Hamilton and in New York City and as an office nurse to a local doctor. She ended her working career as secretary to a Hamilton lawyer. In her retirement, she continued to develop her love of art, taking many classes at the Dundas Valley School of Art in ceramics and other media. A special thanks to the staff at St. Elizabeth's Villa for their compassionate care over the years. Visitation will be held at the Cresmount Funeral Home, 322 Fennell Ave. E. on Tuesday from 1 p.m. until time of service at 2 p.m. in the chapel. Interment will follow in Woodland Cemetery. If desired, donations can be made to the Dundas Valley School of Art.

On-line tributes can be made at:
www.cresmountfennellchapel.com

Dignity **Cresmount**
"Fennell Chapel"
1935

Sadie Palmer sitteth nexte, she be always on the job, quick, alert, intelligent—everything a nurse should be. Then mye eyes perceive a faire buxom maiden, Nurse Haslem, who lays claim to Pennsylvanian-Dutch origin. If that be so she hath that which maketh for a fine woman, her ancestors having been U.E. Loyalists, which are the back-bone of this cuntrye.

Dear Nellye-Mae perched on the edge of her chaire, ever seeking knowledge, asking questions whenever perplexed, which be often. But, mark you, she will make a name for herselfe before she have done with this worlde.

And when I looke upon nexte faire faice, it gives me longing for artist's skill that I might painte the Reigning Queene, **Mistress Lumsden**.

Last but not leaste stands **Mistress Zuber**, with face as innocent as new-borne babe, but she hath much knowledge stored behinde that face, and it falleth out of her mouthe at unexpected moment.

Nor must I forget our two sisters, **Sistere M. St. Norbert** and **Sistere M. Dominica**, whose habit denotes a life of sacrifice and devoted service to human kinde. Need I saye more?

Joan Morris, The Reporter.

GRADUATION MAY 16, 1940



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Mary Gage (Sister M. Venard)

Absent from photo: Ruth Dickinson

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"Undermount"

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Ruth Markle '40

ORMOND, Catherine Ruth, Reg.N. —
(Graduate of St. Joseph's School of Nursing, 1940). Peacefully at home on Friday, November 22, 1991, age 75, Ruth Ormond (nee Markle), beloved wife of James J. Dear mother of Douglas and his wife Linda, Anne Shaw-Wall and her husband Don and Eileen Ormond. Lovingly remembered by her grandchildren, Elizabeth, Nicholas, Colin, Iain, Kimberly, Cory and Sasha. Will be sadly missed by members of the Markle family, sister-in-law, Edna of Weyburn, Saskatchewan, nephew, Dr. Craig Markle of Vancouver and by brothers & sisters-in-law of the Ormond family; Margaret Suggett of Hamilton, Elizabeth Strickland of Toronto, Mollie and Clyde Greer of Columbus, Ohio, William, Jack and Louise, Joe and Marie, of Hamilton, Jerry and Dorothy of Burlington and many nieces and nephews. Ruth was predeceased by brothers, John and Charles. Cremation. Arrangements entrusted to Dodsworth & Brown Funeral Directors, Robinson Chapel, 522-2496.

Ruth Markle Ormond '40

Ruth Markle '40

1942 – 1944 served on the Dance Committee on the Nurses Alumnae Executive
1958 – 1960 served on Charities Committee

Programme

Chairman

W. P. Downes, B.A., M.D.C.M. - Chairman of Staff

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MAYOR MORRISON

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VICTORIA MUELLER, M.A., Ph.D.
Professor of Germanic Languages,
St. Michael's College,
University of Toronto

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Presentation of Prizes.

Programme

Prize for General Proficiency
Given by L. L. Playfair, M.D., F.R.C.S. (E.)
Presented by Mrs. Playfair. MISS IVY HART

Prize for Efficiency in Bedside Nursing
Given by F. Woodhall, M.B.
Presented by Mrs. Woodhall. MISS MARGARET SMITH

Prize for Surgical Nursing and Examination
Given by John R. Parry, B.A., M.B., F.R.C.S. (C.)
Presented by Miss Rose Parry. MISS RUTH MARKLE

Prize for Medical Nursing and Examination
Given by Wm. P. Downes, B.A., M.D.C.M.
Presented by Mrs. Wm. P. Downes. MISS MARGARET McBRIDE

Prize for Nursing and Examination in Preventive Medicine
Given by A. C. Martin, M.B.
Presented by Mrs. A. C. Martin. MISS GLADYS NEAL

Prize for Obstetrical Nursing and Examination
Given by A. A. Cauley, M.D.C.M.
Presented by Mrs. Cauley. MISS VERA LYNN

Prize for Gynecological Nursing and Examination
Given by Wm. Jamieson, M.D.C.M.
Presented by Mrs. Wm. Jamieson. MISS ALICE SMART

Prize for Examination and Nursing in Diseases of the Eye, Ear,
Nose and Throat
Given by W. L. Crewson, M.D.C.M., and
H. W. Whytock, M.B., F.R.C.S. (E.)
Presented by Mrs. W. L. Crewson. MISS LENORE JARVIS

Prize for Examination and Nursing in Children's Diseases
Given by H. J. Sullivan, M.D.C.M.
Presented by Mrs. H. J. Sullivan. MISS MARY GAGE

Prize for Clinical Pathology
Given by John Tilden, M.D.
Presented by Mrs. Reid Murray. MISS EILEEN HENNESSEY

Prize for Public Health Nursing
Given in memory of the late Dr. Jas. Roberts by
Mrs. Jas. Roberts.
To be presented by his son, Lewellyn Roberts.
MISS ANNE ANDREYCHUK

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requests the pleasure of your company
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Graduation Dance

on Thursday, May the sixteenth
nineteen hundred and forty

"Undermount"
8.30 p.m.

Graduation Dance May 16, 1940



Anne Andreychuk '40

Gladys Neal '40

1942 - 1944 served as Vice President on the Nurses Alumnae Executive



Eileen Hennessey'40
1965 – 1967 served as the Treasurer on the Nurses Alumnae Executive

SEPTEMBER CLASS

<i>Ruth Dickinson</i>	<i>Mary Gage</i>
<i>Nora Eileen Hennessey</i>	<i>Effie Leonore Jarvis</i>
<i>Vera Lynn</i>	<i>Margaret McBride</i>
<i>Pauline McPherson</i>	<i>Evelyn Oldfield</i>
<i>Mary Rizok</i>	<i>Ellen Roberts</i>
<i>Margaret Smith</i>	<i>Brigid Smith</i>
<i>Sister M. Venard</i>	

FEBRUARY CLASS

<i>Anne Andreychuk</i>
<i>Doris Barnett</i>
<i>Ivy Hart</i>
<i>Ruth Markle</i>
<i>Gladys Neal</i>
<i>Alice Smart</i>
<i>Dorothy Smith</i>

Mary Gage'40
(Sister M. Venard)

OBITUARIES

SISTER MARY VENARD
 Rev. Sister Mary Venard (Mary Gage) died Wednesday at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Sister Venard was born in Toronto, a daughter of the late Charles E. Gage and Mary Denaney and had been a member of the Order of the Sisters of St. Joseph for 26 years.

She was a registered nurse and trained at St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton, later dedicating her life to the sick and poor.

She served at St. Joseph's Hospital here at various times and had also served at Kitchener, Brantford, Hamilton and Fort St. James, B.C.

She returned to St. Joseph's Hospital here after returning from Fort St. James five years ago.

Sister Venard is survived by a brother Charles E. Gage, a sister Elizabeth, both of Willowdale and an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Gage of Hamilton.

The body is resting at St. Joseph's Hospital until Friday when solemn requiem high mass will be celebrated in St. Joseph's Chapel.

Burial will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Prize Winners 1940

TOP ROW	<i>left to right</i>	<i>Lenore Jarvis</i> <i>Margaret McBride</i> <i>Ivy Hart</i> <i>Mary Gage</i> <i>Ann Andreychuk</i>	<i>examination and nursing in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat</i> <i>medical nursing and examination</i> <i>general Proficiency</i> <i>examination and nursing in children's diseases</i> <i>public health nursing</i>
BOTTOM ROW	<i>left to right</i>	<i>Alice Smart</i> <i>Margaret Smith</i> <i>Eileen Hennessey</i> <i>Ruth Markle</i> <i>Gladys Neal</i>	<i>gynecological nursing and examination</i> <i>efficiency in bedside nursing</i> <i>clinical pathology</i> <i>surgical nursing and examination</i> <i>nursing and examination in preventive medicine</i>

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left to right

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Freda Welt Helen Grightmire Gloria Gifford Sally Scullion Ruth Chadwick Margaret Houston Ruth Yager
2nd Row: Mary Hanlon Shirley Kitchen Vivian Biggar Angela Amadio Grace Leitch Neta Morrow Edna Freeman Grace Gilbert Elizabeth Cummings
Mae Morris Mary McMurrick Margaret Leonard Jean Hayes Lorraine Stewart Ruth deMontmorency Maureen Bleeks Dorothy Harrod
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Dashner '45 Boyle '44 Gilbert '45
Working in the O.R.



Ollya Boychuk '45



Angela Dorothy D. J. Tilden Freda
Amadio '45 Duncan '45 Welt '45

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Presented by Mrs. Nicholson.

MRS. GRACE GILBERT

Prize for Anatomy and Physiology
Given by W. A. Weaver, M.D.C.M., and
R. J. Fraser, M.D.

Presented by Mrs. Fraser.

MISS SHIRLEY KAVANAUGH

Prize for Clinical Pathology
Given by John Tilden, M.D., in memory of his mother,
Mrs. Isabel Tilden.

Presented by Miss Mary Murray.

MISS TERESA LOBSINGER

GOD SAVE THE KING

Graduates of 1945

ANGELINA AMADIO,
NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.

VIVIAN BLANCHE BIGGAR,
JARVIS, ONT.

ETHENA MAUREEN BLEEKS,
LASHBURN, SASK.

OLLYA RAE BOYCHUK,
HAMILTON, ONT.

WILMA RUTH CHADWICK,
VITTORIA, ONT.

ELIZABETH ROSE CUMMINGS,
HAMILTON, ONT.

KATHERINE NAOMI DASHNER,
FISHERVILLE, ONT.

RUTH ANITA DEMONTMORENCY,
BURFORD, ONT.

DOROTHY IRENE DUNCAN,
SIMCOE, ONT.

EDNA LOUISE FREEMAN,
WATERFORD, ONT.

GLORIA ELAINE GIFFORD,
HAMILTON, ONT.

GRACE LENORE GILBERT,
WATERFORD, ONT.

HELEN ELIZABETH GRIGHTMIRE,
DUNDAS, ONT.

DORIS MARJOLIAN HALVERSON,
FORT ERIE N., ONT.

MARY CLAIR HANLON,
GUELPH, ONT.

DOROTHY ALEAN HARROD,
BURLINGTON ONT.

JEAN GLADYS HAYS,
PARIS, ONT.

MARGARET EVELYN HOUSTON,
MOOREFIELD, ONT.

MARION AMELIA IONSON,
JARVIS, ONT.

SHIRLEY AILEEN KAVANAUGH,
HAMILTON, ONT.

SHIRLEY LILLIAN KITCHEN,
WATERFORD, ONT.

GRACE SNEDDON LEITCH,
HAMILTON, ONT.

MARGARET MONA LEONARD,
HAMILTON, ONT.

MARY TERESA LOBSINGER,
BRANTFORD, ONT.

MARY RITCHIE McMURRICH,
DUNDAS, ONT.

ANNA MARGUERITE MONTAGUE,
JARVIS ONT.

MAY MORRIS,
HAMILTON, ONT.

NETA ISABEL MORROW,
GULL LAKE, SASK.

SARAH SCULLION,
HAMILTON, ONT.

LORRAINE ANN STEWART,
HAMILTON, ONT.

FRANCES AUDREY TWISS,
DUNDAS, ONT.

FREDA MAE WELT,
JARVIS, ONT.

ELINOR ANNE WHALLS,
BRANTFORD, ONT.

MERLYN ISOBEL WHITE,
HAMILTON, ONT.

MARJORIE RUTH YAGER,
SELKIRK, ONT.



Grace Gilbert '45



*Grace Gilbert '45 & Dr. F. Hamilton
in the Tonsil Room*

PRIZE WINNERS 1945

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		<i>Grace Gilbert</i>	<i>examination and nursing in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat</i>
		<i>Shirley Kavanaugh</i>	<i>anatomy and physiology</i>
		<i>Teresa Lobsinger</i>	<i>clinical pathology</i>

Nurses Graduate At Hamilton

MAY 1945

On Wednesday afternoon, May 16th, thirty-five ladies will graduate from St. Joseph's School of Nursing, Hamilton. This is the largest class in the history of the Hospital and comparing it with their first graduation of January, 1916, when nine young ladies received their diplomas, it shows the increase in demand for their services.

A BASILICA AUDITORIUM

The exercises will be held at the auditorium of the Cathedral of Christ the King. The graduates are: Angelina Amadio, Vivian Blanche Biggar, Ethena Maureen Bleeks, Oliya Rae Boychuk, Wilma Ruth Chadwick, Elizabeth Rose Cummings, Katherine Naomi Dashner, Ruth Anita DeMontmorency, Dorothy Irene Duncan, Edna Louise Freeman, Gloria Elaine Gifford, Grace Lenore Gilbert, Helen Elizabeth Grighmire, Doris Marjolian Halverson, Mary Clair Hanlon, Dorothy Alean Harrod, Jean Gladys Hays, Margaret Evelyn Houston, Marion

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The young nurse of today is assuming no ordinary responsibility and as long as she remains in the profession she will daily be reminded of this fact. Her lamps of service must be kept bright indeed if she is to see the path of duty clearly. Intelligence will not be enough; sympathy will not be enough; truth must be her torch, efficiency her sandals; she must be clothed with strength and carry the keys of compassion. Her vision must never fail and courage must never falter if this young nurse who dedicates her life to the services of suffering humanity is to remain true to the profession she enters.

1945 Graduation

Wednesday afternoon May 16th, 35 ladies will graduate from the St. Joseph's School of Nursing, Hamilton. This is the largest class in the history of the hospital, compared to the 1st graduation January 1915 with 9 ladies receiving their diplomas. It shows the increase in the demand for their services.

The exercise will be held at the auditorium of the Cathedral of Christ the King. The graduates are Angelina Amadio, Vivian Blanche Biggar, Ethena Maureen Bleeks, Oliya Rae Boychuk, Wilma Ruth Chadwick, Elizabeth Rose Cummings, Katherine Naomi Dashner, Ruth Anita DeMontmorency, Dorothy Irene Duncan, Edna Louise Freeman, Gloria Elaine Gifford, Grace Lenore Gilbert, Helen Elizabeth Grighmire, Doris Marjolian Halverson, Mary Clair Hanlon, Dorothy Alean Harrod, Jean Gladys Hays, Margaret Evelyn Houston, Marion Amelia Ionson, Shirley Aileen Kavanaugh, Shirley Lillian Kitchen, Grace Sneedon Leitch, Margaret Mona Leonard, Mary Teresa Lobsinger, Mary Ritchie McMurrich, Anna Marguerite Montague, May Morris, Neta Isabel Morrow, Sarah Scullion, Lorraine Ann Stewart, Frances Audrey Twiss, Freda Mae Welt, Elinor Anne Whalls, Merlyn Isobel White, Marjorie Ruth Yager.

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GRADUATES FEIED

In the evening the usual dance for the graduates was held in the auditorium of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing.

The alumnae arranged a dinner at the Royal Connaught Hotel on May 17th in honour of the graduates. The speaker for the evening was Mrs. J. Carson, formerly Doctor Victoria Mueller of St. Michael's College, Toronto, who gave an exceptionally fine address on "True Friendship and High Ideals." The event was a most enjoyable one and was attended by representatives of all graduating classes since the first class of 1915.

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Edna Freeman '45

1951 – 1953 served as Representative to the R.N.A.O. on the Nurses Alumnae Executive



**Dorothy Gleed '46 Marguerite Montague '45
Marjorie Almas '43**

JUNE 23, 1945

Nurses' Group Holds Quarterly Meeting

On Thursday evening, June 14, District four of the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario held the quarterly meeting at the Nurses' Residence, St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton. Miss J. Mason, provincial president, gave an interesting talk, dwelling upon the subjects — Bargaining, Trade Unions and the Practice Act.

Of particular interest to nurses-in-training and to all young women who intend to enter the Training School was the discussion of bursaries which are available to nurses who continue in university and post-graduate courses. A government grant amounting to five-twelfths of last year's grant has been received by the Canadian Nurses' Association. It is expected the remainder will be forwarded before the end of the year. Some of the western provinces have opened Placement Bureaus to arrange positions for nurses returning from overseas. It is expected similar bureaus will be established in this province.

At the close of the meeting a vote of thanks was extended to Miss Mason. The senior students of St. Joseph's School of Nursing served refreshments.

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Working in the O.R.*



Freda Welt '45



*Winnie Helen Winnie Angie Bernadette
Walker'47 Miller'48 Ayres'46 Amadio'45 Hynes'48
1948 on roof of the John St building*

Civic Greetings

Controller Nora-Frances Henderson, representing Mayor Samuel Lawrence, extended greetings on behalf of the Mayor and the city, and referred to the happy relationship that exists between the city of Hamilton and this large Catholic institution. Dr. W. L. Crewson, president of the Hamilton Academy of Medicine, extended congratulations and good wishes to the class on behalf of the academy. The graduation exercises were particularly happily arranged this year and carried out with impressive dignity, the procession of the graduating class being preceded in entering the hall by a procession of the nurses-in-training who expect to graduate next year. Three of the nurses-in-training also provided the music for the event. The large gathering present was cordially welcomed by Dr. Downes, and the prizewinners were also presented with their awards, as published previously.

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*Mary Clare Hanlon '45
holding a patient for Dr Fraser*



*Father Charles Galea
Teresa Lobsinger Sister Virginia
Walsh '45 Hanlon '45*



*Grace Freda Angie Marion James
Gilbert '45 Welt '45 Amadio '45 Ionson '45 Shipley '71A*



*Front: Ruth deMontmorency'45 Marion Ionson'45 Frances O'Brien'41 Katherine Dasher'45
Back: Helen King Marcellus'42 Loreen Leatherdale '43 Catherine Boyle'44*

September Class 1945



BACK ROW:

Edna Freeman, Ruth Yager, Margaret Leonard, Grace Leitch, Ruth Chadwick, Mary McMurrick, Frances Twiss, Lorraine Stewart, Dorothy Harrod, Shirley Kitchen

FRONT ROW:

Teresa Lobsinger, Sarah Scullion, Margaret Houston, Edna Freeman, Helen Grightmire, Gloria Gifford

FEBRUARY CLASS (Admitted February 3, 1942)

*Angeline Amadio
Dorothy Duncan
Jean Hayes
Shirley Kavanaugh
Freida Welt*

*Katherine Dashner
Grace Gilbert
Marion Ionson
Neta Morrow*

SEPTEMBER CLASS (ADMITTED September 2, 1942)

*Vivian Biggar
Ollya Boychuk
Edna Freeman
Helen Grightmire
Mary Clair Hanlon
Margaret Houston
Grace Leitch
Teresa Lobsinger
Margarite Montague
Mae Morris
Lorraine Stewart
Eleanor Whalls
Ruth Yager*

*Maureen Bleeks
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Marilyn White*



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W. H. Lovering Delivers Address At Hamilton

"You will need clear thinking and much faith as you go out into the world to-day — a world with many problems of creed differences, national duties, political distresses — but for these and other post-war duties you will have a safe guide if you remember that faith is better than sight, and love is better than hatred," said Mr. W. H. Lovering, president of Hamilton Health Association, in addressing the graduating class of St. Joseph's School of Nursing, Wednesday, May 16.

The graduation exercises, held in the auditorium of the Basilica of Christ the King, were presided over by Dr. W. P. Downes, chairman of the medical staff of St. Joseph's Hospital. Diplomas were presented by the Most Rev. Joseph F. Ryan, D.D., Bishop of Hamilton, who also gave a brief message, and the pins were pinned on each graduate by Rev. Sister M. Ursula, superintendent of nurses.

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Class of 1945 and 1946

Standing Left to right:

*Jean Laing'46 Rosemary Ruffing'46 Agnes McCowell'46 Jean Mitchell'46 Dorothy Gleed'46 Shirley Kitchen'45 Neta Morrow'45
Jean Hays'45 Edith Franklin'46 Vivian Biggar'45 Ruth Chadwick'45 Marion Ionson'45 Lorraine Stewart'45*

Kneeling Left to Right: Rosemary Walsh'46 Grace Leitch'45



*Catharine Brown '43, Irma Kellar '41
Lorraine Stewart '45, Betty Martin '43
Working in the O.R.*



Mary Clare Hanlon '45

a.k.a. Sister Virginia Hanlon



Sister Virginia's Legacy

- *Appointment of first Registrar for the School of Nursing at St. Joseph's, Hamilton.*
- *Introduction of Health Services for Hospital Employees and School of Nursing.*
- *Design and construction of School of Nursing / Residence, Fontbonne Hall.*
- *Psychiatric Nursing Affiliation for students.*
- *Liaison for Alumnae Association.*



<i>1951 – 1957</i>	<i>Staff Educator St. Joseph's School of Nursing</i>
<i>1957 – 1964</i>	<i>Director of Nursing St Joseph's School of Nursing, Hamilton</i>
<i>1964 – 1967</i>	<i>Staff Educator St. Mary's Hospital, Kitchener</i>
<i>1967 – 1972</i>	<i>Director of Nursing, St. Mary's School of Nursing, Kitchener</i>
<i>1956</i>	<i>Innovative health program for students & staff</i>
<i>1959</i>	<i>Employee Health Service, St. Joseph's Hamilton</i>
<i>1962</i>	<i>Design & Construction of Fontbonne Hall</i>
<i>1972 – 1976</i>	<i>C.E.O. St. Mary's Hospital, Kitchener</i>
<i>1976 – 1984</i>	<i>C.E.O. St. Joseph's Home, Guelph</i>
<i>1984 – 2005</i>	<i>Administrative Staff, St. Joseph's Villa, Dundas</i>
<i>2005</i>	<i>Retired to the Mother House, Dundas</i>

Congratulations to Sister Virginia on being a 1995 Golden Jubilarian! Sister Virginia Hanlon graduated from St. Joseph's School of Nursing in Hamilton in 1945 and entered the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph's of Hamilton, in the same year. Sister Virginia began her nursing career as a staff nurse and attended the University of Windsor Ontario in '50-'51. Further academic achievements, included a B.Sc.N. degree from St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, N.S. and a diploma in Hospital Organization and Management. Sister Virginia's knowledge, skill and ability resulted in her appointment as Director of Nursing Education at St. Joseph's School of Nursing 1951-'57 and the Director of Nursing 1957-'64.

"Big Moments" described by Sister Virginia are:

- ☛ being a key player in the planning and construction of Fontbonne Hall & the Mary Grace Wing.
- ☛ moving to 8hr shifts from 12hr shifts!
- ☛ seeing St. Joseph's School of Nursing graduates attain Faculty appointments.
- ☛ having the goal of St. Joseph's School of Nursing, Hamilton being the best in Canada!

Sister Virginia is living and working at St. Joseph's Villa in Dundas and is a valuable contributing member on many boards and committees. Our own Alumnae continues to profit from her knowledge and personalism that she brings to each Alumnae executive meeting, as the Sister Liaison.

Thank you for being you.....We're proud of you!

Newsletter October 1995

1933 *There were 2 Masses conducted each year
1 in October for living members of the Nurses Alumnae
1 in November for the repose of souls of our deceased members, conducted on Remembrance Day*
1938 *Sister Ursula Barry'32 became the Sister Liaison for the Nurses Alumnae*
1984 *Sister Ursula entered Eternal Life August 4, 1984*

1958 – 1962 *Sister Virginia served as the Honorary President of the Nurses Alumnae*
1985 *Sister Virginia Hanlon assumed the role of Sister Liaison for the Nurses Alumnae
She planned the annual Reunion Day Mass & Reception
Mass was changed to the annual Reunion Day*



Sister Virginia Hanlon '45 Sister Patricia Hanlon '50



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Sister Virginia Hanlon teaching the class of 1962



6. Presidents Report by Cheryl McQueen

Newsletter October 2006

6.1 Fond Farewell to Sister Virginia Hanlon '45

After prayerful consideration, Sister Virginia Hanlon submitted her resignation from the Executive of St. Joseph's School of Nursing Alumnae Association effective June 30th 2006. Her past 20 plus years as Sister Liaison has made her an invaluable person on the executive sharing her experience gained from her other many administrative roles throughout the Healthcare System. As Sister Liaison for the last twenty years, she has provided us with insight and knowledge to not only our own organization but to the larger picture of the Healthcare Organization. On behalf of the St. Joseph's School of Nursing Alumnae Association, I would like to thank her for her many years of service and dedication, and to wish her all the best in the years to come.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On behalf of all the Alumnae Executive may I wish each and everyone a Happy Healthy 1998.

We are most grateful to Marion Farnum (Fleming'38) for the donation of her graduation pin and to the family of the late Marie Pegg (Healey'48) for the donation of her graduation ring and pin.

I have written a letter of thanks to the Archive Committee; Frances Simpson (Twiss'45), Edith Stewart (Fumi'51) and Margaret Binkley (Brown'53) for their work organizing and working with our Archives. It has not been an easy task to be the founding committee of the Archives, collecting and cataloging the artifacts. This was made even more difficult due to the lack of a permanent home for our Archives.

I thank St. Joseph's Villa for the space they have so generously given to us to store our articles. Unfortunately we were not able to obtain storage or display ^{space} ~~space~~ at our Hospital during this time of restructuring upheaval. Hopefully this will change as restructuring moves to some semblance of permanence.

The executive feel that the Sisters and the nurses who graduated from our hospital are indeed an integral part of the history and building of St. Joseph's Hospital and should be on display for the general public to see and understand.

There has been a fairly active response from graduates wanting to replace lost school pins and rings. This opportunity to order replacements will be closed March 16th. So if you want a replacement let me know by this date.

When ordering please enclose ring size and what you want engraved on your item. Please print this to avoid mistakes.

Please enclose a deposit of \$100.00 for pin and \$75.00 for ring. The balance to be paid upon receiving your pin or ring. The cost for the pin, which is 10k is \$170.00 + PST + GST plus engraving charges and postal and handling charges. The cost for the ring, which is also 10k is \$130.00 + PST + GST plus engraving charges and postal and handling charges.

I do hope to see you at the Reunion Dinner - June 12.

Dorothy

Newsletter 1998

SYNOPSIS OF ARCHIVE REPORT



We are pleased to report that thirty three graduation photos have been identified, mounted and laminated.

Others have been identified, ready for mounting. We wish to thank all those grads who helped identify the nurses in photos. It was really great meeting and chatting with you at the reunions and by telephone.

Several nurses have called with offers of uniforms etc. but it was agreed by Alumnae Executive that donors keep all material until we have a permanent display and storage area.

We wish also to state that we now feel it is time for others to take over this committee. We have enjoyed the work, and meeting with grads, but feel perhaps new members can complete this project by having new ideas and contacts.

Thank you again for your help and cooperation. It was certainly appreciated by your Archive Committee. We wish you good health, happiness and success in the coming year.

Margaret Binkley (Brown'53)

Edith Stewart (Fumi'51)

Frances Simpson (Twiss'45)

Frances Twiss'45

1995 - 1997 served on the Archive Committee on the Nurses Alumnae Executive



Frances Twiss '45



Doris	Class of 1945	off to Detroit for pediatric affiliation		
Halverson '45	Mae	Ollya	Ruth	Margaret
	Morris '45	Boychuk '45	DeMontmorency '45	Houston '45

Janina Muta Berenyi '65 and Beverly Shynal Greenwood '70 visited with Ruth Chadwick at the Langdon Nursing Ville Retirement Home in Woodstock. Ruth was age 89.

Ruth was born on May 17, 1924 in Vittoria Ontario. She was a Baptist and had never married. Ruth's family came from England. Her father, Grant Chadwick was an apple and peach farmer. Her mother, Carlotta Paul was an Alma College housewife. Ruth's mother had a heart condition and died before Ruth graduated.

Ruth had 2 sisters and 1 brother. Ruth was the 3rd child. Her sister Jean graduated from St Joseph's School of Nursing in 1942. Ruth was 17 years of age when she entered the School of Nursing in 1942. She commented that it was the common thing to do during the war years. She remembers bringing a suitcase full of apples from the farm, back to the school. Students had 1 day off each month and ½ a day per week. They would go out for pie and coffee for 25¢. Students could see a movie on their day off.

Sister Mary Grace was the Director of Nursing. When students received their black band, there was only a few hours for celebrations. Ruth did her pediatric affiliation for 3 months at the Sick Children's Hospital in Detroit Michigan.

During the war years 1942 – 1943 there were drills in the middle of the night. A whistle was blown and students had to get dressed and go to the wards in the dark. The Steel Company was considered a possible target. Practice exercises were done in case Canada was attacked. Ruth also remembers taking rifle practice at a high school, in case they were drafted into the army.

Ruth talked about the "gold book" written by Sister Ursula. She said there is 1 person missing from the gold book in the class of 1949. There are 27 in the graduation picture and only 26 names in the book. She talked about a student going out with a patient. She was punished by Sister Mary Grace by spending 11 months working nights.

After graduation Ruth worked as special duty nurse at the Simcoe Norfolk General Hospital. Ruth also worked in a Nursing home in Hagersville. She took a Record Library course and worked for 28 years in the Record Department in Woodstock. She also spent time as a school nurse at Valley High School in Hankton Ontario. She had a crush on Dr Tilden. He married Mary Haley class of 1942.

Fran Twiss Simpson '45 was her closest classmate & friend. Theresa Lobsinger '45 was the organizer for the classmates. Ruth attended her last reunion dinner in 2011 at the celebration of the School of Nursing 100 year anniversary. Her interests and hobbies were skating, and working on the farm by horseback with 2 teams of horses. Vittoria was the original capital of Ontario. When Vittoria was 200 years old, Ruth remembers a big celebration in the town.

Ruth made many donations to the Alumnae Archives:

- historical account from the Book "The Story of St. Joseph's Hospital 1890 – 1960" (a Silver coloured pamphlet written by Kingsley Brown)*
- a written historical account from 1890 – 1994*
- her nursing notes and hospital charts*
- nursing exams 1945*
- Booklet titled "the Nightingale Pledge"*
- pledge was formulated in 1893 by a committee of which Mrs. Lystra E. Gretter was chairman*
- picture of Florence Nightingale was etched from an original cabinet photograph made in London*
- negatives for the class graduation photo 1945*
- Undermount stationary / Christmas greeting card*



Ruth Chadwick '45



**FROM THE BOOK OF 1890-1920
PERTAINING TO THE SCHOOL OF NURSING & OTHER INFORMATION.**

FROM THE HAMILTON EVENING TIMES JUNE 13 1890

Hospital

Hospital formerly called Undermount. Prince of Wales occupied magnificent suite here many years ago. Place originally cost \$10,000 but the Episcopal Corporation purchased it for half. Bishop Dowling installed here but found it too large & expensive. He sold it to the Sisters of St. Joseph for \$5,000.00. the community rumal a gift of \$5,000.00 plus \$500.00 from Bishop Dowling. Separated from John Street by a solid stone fence & a pair of huge iron gates. Also boasted a conservatory to keep patients supplied with flowers.

Accommodationfor 40-50 patients . Staff had 4 sisters-Mother St. Philip was Superior. Hospital was formally opened by Bishop Dowling.
Institution indepted to Father Ryan, who endowed the Ryan ward endowment that the ward be for the use of the poor and those unable to pay their way. There was some question as to how to use the money left, Should it go to Toronto or should they start a hospital here? Mayor McLillans was mayor here at that time.
The late Father Ryan was from Oakville and he left \$18,000.00 to be used for a hospital either here or in Toronto.

Contractor Pigott donated the first alter.
June 11, 1890 -The first Mass with Bishop Dowling.. Silver Chalice given by Misses D&J Sadlin of Montreal.
First Staff of Sisters-Mother St. Philip Superior, Sister Antoinette Carmella, Herman & bride
June 21, 1890 -First patient received was a protestant lady named Mrs M Gilmorn, surgeon was Dr. Roseberghe. Left Hospital July 22, 1890

July 4· 1890 - the first male patient Joseph Kihal and was dismissed July 11.
Sept 10· 1890 - Ist death-Mrs Roch _____left the hospital in a invalid chair.
Sept 30· 1890-close of the year –pts. treated 29, dismissed 15, Deaths 1, Operation 1.
October 13· 1890-- A Mrs Simon, a Jew admitted with fratured of patella. Observed diet of old law. All meals sent over by rabbi’s wife. Stayed 5 week and all the J Jews in the city visited.

October 15, 1890 Benediction of Blessed Sacrament for the first time.
October 10, 1890 was the first Inspection.
November 12_____
December 5, 1890 Stations of Cross manually erected.
December 10, 1890 Medical staff formed.

June 2, 1891 -first money received from Government \$11,200 bring half the grant for the first time June 21st to Oct 1st 1890.
Sept 4, 1891- back taxes to value of \$722.70 returned to hospital
1912 – a new elevator valued at \$2,000.00 presented to hospital by Mr George E. Truckett.
1902 Dr Balfe presented a complete set of instruments to Superior Sister Antoinette . 1919 St. Josephs care for 2, 651 patients
1920 St. Joseph cared for 2,710 patients
February 20, 1920- grant of \$50,000 for creation of Nurse Residence.

GUESTS AT UNDERMOUNT
1925-Canadian National Association of Trained Nurses Convention. The delegates were entertained by the Alumnae of the Hospital. Sister St. Basil Superior, assisted by Miss Kelly and Miss Bedford. A short Musical program by Miss Martine. Medlodies and Joy added to pleasure of the afternoon. Committee consisted of Nurses Sally Morin, McLarg & Maloney

June 24th-1924 graduates:
Presented by 8 small attendants wearing white dresses and wreaths. 18 nurses graduated.. Validictory- Noreen Ryan Vocal solo Vera guay

1923 3,000 patients care for
1924 Maternity wing.
Casa Maria-Home of Mr and Mrs J.A. Bisby One room furnished by her Nephew Mr. W. H. Hunt. Property and renovations cost &60,
October 17, 1930. The Stuart property consisting of 3 dwellings on Charlton Avenue purchased by the Sister of St. Joseph for \$26,000.00
1933 Dr. Modebray left us \$1,000.00

*historical account from the Book “The Story of St. Joseph’s Hospital 1890 – 1960”
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Donated by Ruth Chadwick’45*



Left to right:

GRADUATION May 31, 1950

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1st row: seated: Mary Sangster Dorothy Deckert Doris Fisher Joyce Bowen Elizabeth Baron Clare Mazza Noreen Rowley
June Leitch Jessie Brown Muriel Bradt Peggy Nelson

2nd row: standing: Nancy Giancola Muriel Johnson Mary Cummings Joan Johnstone Dorothy Leonard Mary Van Every Phyllis Pomponi
Marion Morrison Frances Saunders Helen Blake Dorothy Battersby Margaret Batte Monica McKee Ruth Lee

3rd row: standing: Marie Doherty Mary McPherson Monica Legere Mary Cronin Bernadine Barry Jean Watson Lorna Brown
Jean McDonald Teresa Giancola Mavis Ryan Margaret Shepherd Patricia Hanlon Gaye Goss

4th row: standing: Dorothy Levitt Ruth Vollick Patricia Scollard Katherine Cheesman Elizabeth McLeod Illa Van Horne Evelyn Ashford
Dorothy Metcalfe Margaret Lynn Joy Guenther Marjorie Donovan Mary Valencour, Eileen Schiel Lois Keeble

Absent from photo: Peggy Jones, Margaret Nelson

GRADUATION Wednesday May 31, 1950



The Sisters of St. Joseph
and the Graduating Class of 1950
St. Joseph's Hospital
School of Nursing
cordially invite you to be present
at the
Graduation Exercises
Wednesday afternoon, May the thirty-first
at three o'clock, P.M.

Auditorium
Cathedral of Christ the King
714 King Street, West
Hamilton, Ontario



FEBRUARY CLASS OF 1950

*Elizabeth Barron
Margaret Batte
Lorna Brown
Joy Guenther
Margaret Lynn
Norine Rowley
Margaret Shepherd
Ruth Vollick*

*Bernardine Barry
Dorothy Battersby
Teresa Giancola
June Leitch
Mary McPherson
Eileen Shiel
Ila Van Horne*

Graduates of 1950

EVELYN MARGARET ASHFORD
ANCASTER, ONTARIO
BERNARDINE LUCY BARRY
NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO
ELIZABETH ANNE BARRON
BRANTFORD, ONTARIO
MARGARET ANNE BATTE
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
DOROTHY MAY BATTERSBY
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
LORNA BLANCHE BROWN
PORT ROWAN, ONTARIO
JESSIE KATHARINE BROWN
ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO
MURIEL JOYCE BRADT
CAYUGA, ONTARIO
HELEN ELIZABETH BLAKE
PORT DOVER, ONTARIO
JOYCE BOWEN
SIMCOE, ONTARIO
MARY VERONICA CUMMINGS
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
KATHLEEN MARGARET CHEESEMAN
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
MARY TERESA CRONIN
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
MARJORIE MARYANNE DONOVAN
ANCASTER, ONTARIO
MARIE MARJORIE DOHERTY
BRANTFORD, ONTARIO
DOROTHY KATHLEEN DECKERT
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
DORIS MARIE FISCHER
MILDMAY, ONTARIO
JOY MARGARET GUENTHER
BURLINGTON, ONTARIO
TERESA MARY GIANCOLA
BRANTFORD, ONTARIO
NANCY GIANCOLA
BRANTFORD, ONTARIO
GAY MARGARET GOSS
ANCASTER, ONTARIO
PATRICIA AGNES HANLON
GUELPH, ONTARIO
JOAN ISOBEL JOHNSTONE
SIMCOE, ONTARIO
MURIEL ROSANNA JOHNSON
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
PEGGY ALLISON JONES
NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO
LOIS AGNES KEEBLE
BARTONVILLE, ONTARIO

MARGARET JOAN LYNN
ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO
JANE MYRTLE LEITCH
PORT DOVER, ONTARIO
RUTH ANNA LEE
STONE CREEK, ONTARIO
DOROTHY NORMA LEAVITT
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
DOROTHY CECILIA LEONARD
BRANTFORD, ONTARIO
MONICA HELEN LEGERE
CALEDONIA, ONTARIO
MARY ALEXANDRA MCPHERSON
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
MARION ELSIE MORRISON
PORT DOVER, ONTARIO
ELIZABETH CATHERINE MCLEOD
PORT CREDIT, ONTARIO
JEAN PATRICIA McDONALD
PARIS, ONTARIO
CLARA HELEN MAZZA
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
DOROTHY GERTRUDE METCALFE
GRIMSBY, ONTARIO
MONICA MARGARET MCKEE
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
MARGARET MARY NELSON
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
PHYLLIS TERESA POMPONI
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
NORINE ANNE ROWLEY
BRANTFORD, ONTARIO
MAVIS AUDRENE RYAN
BURLINGTON, ONTARIO
EILEEN MARY SHIEL
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
MARGARET LOUISE SHEPHERD
SMITHVILLE, ONTARIO
PATRICIA MARY SCOLLARD
BRANTFORD, ONTARIO
FRANCES MARY SANDERS
BRANTFORD, ONTARIO
MARY CATHERINE SANGSTER
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
ILLA EFFIE VAN HORNE
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
RUTH EILEEN VOLLUCK
CANFIELD, ONTARIO
MARY ELIZABETH VALENCOURT
WELLAND, ONTARIO
MARY MARGARET VAN EVERY
HAMILTON, ONTARIO
JEAN VANCE WATSON
CREDIT FORKS, ONTARIO

Programme

Opening Prayer

Orchestra - - - - - O Canada

Chairman

W. P. Downes, B.A., M.D.C.M. - Chairman of Staff

Presentation of Diplomas and Pins by

THE RIGHT REVEREND J. A. O'BRIEN, D.P.

Addresses to Graduating Class

HIS WORSHIP MAYOR JACKSON

G. G. HENRY, M.B.

President of Hamilton Academy of Medicine

THE RIGHT REVEREND J. A. McDONAGH, D.P.

President of Catholic Church Extension Society of Canada

THE RIGHT REVEREND J. A. O'BRIEN, D.P.

Presentation of Awards

GOD SAVE THE KING



SEPTEMBER GRADUATING CLASS OF 1950

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Evelyn Ashford

Helen Blake

Mary Cronin

Marie Doherty

Gay Goss

Peggy Jones

Ruth Lee

Dorothy Leonard

Elizabeth McLeod

Marion Morrison

Mavis Ryan

Mary Catharine Sangster

Patricia Hanlon (Sister Patricia Hanlon)

Muriel Bradt

Jessie Brown

Mary Cummings

Marjorie Donovan

Nancy Giancola

Joan Johnstone

Dorothy Leavitt

Jean McDonald

Monica McKee

Margaret Nelson

Patricia Scollard

Jean Watson

Joyce Bowen

Kathleen Cheesman

Dorothy Deckert

Doris Fischer

Muriel Johnston

Lois Keeble

Monica Legere

Clara Mazza

Dorothy Metcalfe

Phyllis Pomponi

Mary Valencourt

Mary Van Every



Sister Virginia Hanlon '45 Sister Patricia Hanlon '50



Mary Fitzgerald

Marrin '47

Sister Patricia

Hanlon '50

Mary Day

Cummings '50

Programme

Scholarship for Post-Graduate Work in Nursing Education
Given by St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary.
Presented by Mrs. J. E. O'Brien.

PATRICIA A. HANLON

Scholarship for Post-Graduate Work in Nursing Education
Given by St. Joseph's Hospital Alumnae.
Presented by Mrs. B. Markle.

KATHLEEN M. CHEESEMAN

Prize for General Proficiency
Given by L. L. Playfair, M.D., F.R.C.S. (E).
Presented by Mrs. Playfair.

BERNARDINE L. BARRY

Prize for Efficiency in Bedside Nursing
Given by F. Woodhall, M.B.
Presented by Mrs. Woodhall.

MARIE M. DOHERTY

Prize for Medical Nursing and Examination
Given by William Downes, B.A., M.D.C.M.
Presented by Mrs. Downes.

DOROTHY N. LEAVITT

Prize for Obstetrical Nursing and Examination
Given by H. J. Sullivan, M.D.C.M.
Presented by Mrs. Sullivan.

MARGARET M. NELSON

Prize for Surgical Nursing and Examination
Given by John Tilden, M.D.
Presented by Mrs. Tilden.

JEAN V. WATSON

Prize for Gynaecological Nursing and Examination
Given by A. Hollinrake, M.D., L.M.C.C.
Presented by Mrs. Hollinrake.

RUTH A. LEE

Prize for Anatomy and Physiology
Given by W. A. Weaver, M.D.C.M., and R. J. Fraser, M.D.
Presented by Mrs. Fraser.

MARY V. CUMMINGS

Prize for Examination and Nursing in Diseases of the Eye, Ear,
Nose and Throat.

Given by W. L. Crewson, M.D.C.M., and
H. Nicholson, M.B.

Presented by Mrs. Crewson.

JEAN P. MacDONALD

Prize for Public Health Nursing
Given in Memory of the late Dr. James Roberts.
Presented by Mrs. Roberts.

EILEEN M. SHIEL

Prize for Highest Standing in Theory—Intermediate Year
Given by Margaret Gage Burkholder Chapter, I.O.D.E.
Presented by Mrs. A. F. Burns.

THELMA L. TAYLOR

Prize for Highest Standing in Theory in First Year
Given by F. B. Bowman, M.D.
Presented by Mrs. Bowman.

LOIS B. RAHN



The prizewinning nurses pictured above to receive prizes at the graduation exercises at St. Joseph's Hospital on Wednesday afternoon are: Top row (left to right): Miss Dorothy Halloran, scholarship in nursing education, given by St. Joseph's Hospital Alumnae; Miss Kathleen Cheeseman, general proficiency, given by Burnham; Miss Bernardine Barry, given by Dr. H. J. Nicholson; Miss Marie Doherty, given by Dr. W. A. Weaver; Miss Dorothy Leavitt, given by Dr. W. L. Crewson and Harry Rheta Dawson. Not appearing above are Miss Jane Simpson and Miss Margaret Nelson, prize to be awarded to the former for highest standing in theory for the intermediate year, by the Margaret Gage Burkholder Chapter, I.O.D.E.; and to the latter for highest standing in theory for the junior year, by Dr. F. Bowman.

Award Winners

Class of 1950

**Patricia Hanlon, Kathleen Cheeseman, Bernardine Barry, Marie Doherty, Dorothy Leavitt
Margaret Nelson, Jean Watson, Ruth Lee, Mary Cummings, Jean McDonald, Eileen Shiel**

—Beckett photos

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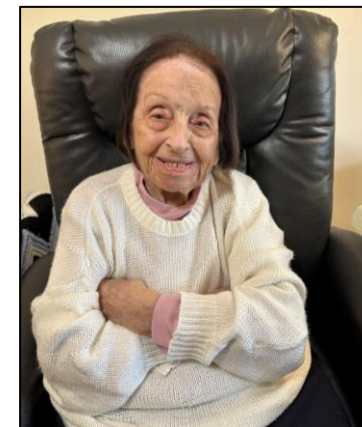
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Made a banner to bring to the Annual Reunion Mass*

GRADUATION CLASS 1950-FIRST CLASS TO WEAR PLASTIC CUFFS, COLLARS AND BELTS



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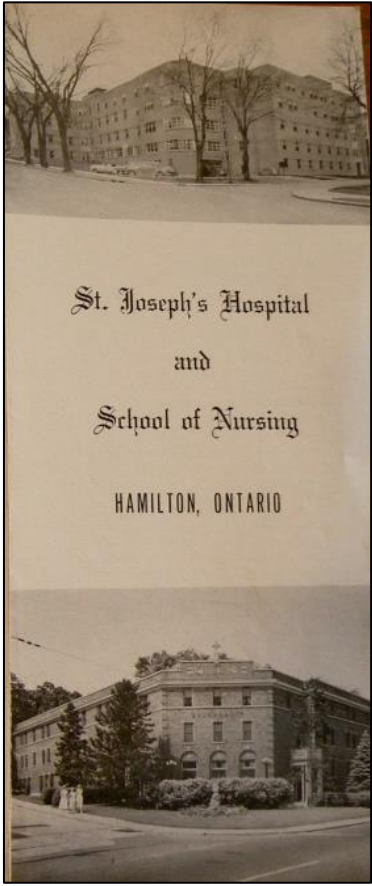
1950 Retreat at Mt. Cevacle Hamilton Ont. Students from classes of '46, '47, '48, '49, '50, '51

Left to right:

Lst row: Ethel Smith '48 Helen O'Neill '48 Rosemary Ruffing '46 Reverend Agnes McCowell '46 Frances Ruffing '46 Mary Evelyn Ganann '46

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Scollard '50 Keeble '50 Batte '50 Legere '50 Scollard '51 Shiel '50 Foley '49 Sebacious '49 Berry '50 Brunning '48 Zelinsky '48 Reynolds '52*

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The Hospital is privately owned by the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of Hamilton, and is conducted by them. It was established in 1890 with a capacity of 25 beds, and has steadily expanded to the present number of 350 beds, of which 84 are maternity, 102 bassinets for new-borns and 60 beds for children. It provides all types of services required in surgical, medical, obstetric, gynecologic, neurologic and paediatric nursing. Affiliation with the Ontario Hospitals and Mountain Sanatorium provides the necessary training in Psychiatry and Tuberculosis.

Education . . .

The minimum requirement for entrance to an approved school of nursing in Ontario is the Secondary School Graduation Diploma (of the three option course) of the Department of Education, or an equivalent certificate as determined by the Department of Education. Grade 13 students are preferred.



Post Graduate Study

At the present time Grade 12 (of the 4 option course) is the minimum requirement for entrance to certificate courses in university schools or departments of nursing in Ontario, but the requirement may be raised later to Grade 13. The requirement for entrance to a university post-graduate degree course is Grade 13.



Expenses . . .

Students are required to purchase uniforms and books during the three-year period.

A small monthly allowance is given following the preliminary term.

Provision is made for care of students' health when medical and nursing care are needed.

Tuition, board and laundry are furnished by the hospital. Adequate and comfortable living accommodation is provided in supervised residences.



Vacation & Late Leaves

Students are allowed annually a period of three weeks' vacation.

Nurses work a six-day week and are allowed an overnight each week, an occasional week-end, and extra time off while on night duty, 10.30 leave each evening, 11.30 Saturday evenings, two 12 o'clock leaves a month and during the senior year a 2 o'clock leave for students in good standing. Classes are arranged so as not to interfere with time off duty.

Prolonged leave of absence is granted only in most extraordinary cases. Nursing in one's family is not usually considered sufficient reason for absence.

Admission of Students

Nursing—a profession: Applicants for admission to the School of Nursing should be women of excellent moral character and possessed of a high degree of intelligence. A spirit of service and a sincere interest in people are essential attributes. Cheerfulness, tact and a sense of humour with the ability to exercise self-discipline and self-control, are necessary characteristics.

Health—Good health is a definite requirement.

Height—Five feet, two inches.

Age—Minimum age is 17 years if the candidate is emotionally mature and stable.



A class is admitted each year during the month of September. Where distance permits, prospective applicants are asked to apply in person to the Director of Nurses or her assistant. Application forms will be sent on request. Application should be made approximately six months before the date of entrance.

When Making Application

The application blank must be carefully filled in, a pre-medical examination, immunization certificate by your physician, letters of recommendation from your clergyman and high school principal and an official provincial birth certificate (issued by the Deputy Registrar General of the Province) and Secondary School Graduation Diploma issued by the Department of Education are required. Where a candidate has not received her diploma, a letter from the high school principal confirming her educational standard must be forwarded to the Director of Nurses. These papers must be complete and on file before your application can be considered.

For applicants resident in another province qualification for entrance to a university in the province in which applicant resides is required. A letter from the registrar of a recognized university of the province must accompany application forms.



Sister Patricia Hanlon '50

Flyer for entrance to St. Joseph School of Nursing 1950

Ruth Vollick '50
1965 – 1966 served as Social convenor on the Nurses Alumnae Executive

Sister Patricia Hanlon '50
2000 Sister served as the Mass Organizer for the Nurses Alumnae Executive

Dorothy Battersby '50
1953 – 1954 served as 2nd Vice President on the Nurses Alumnae Executive
1957 – 1959 served as President on the Nurses Alumnae
Dorothy was the 13th President of the Nurses Alumnae
1958 – 1960 served as Past President

Ila Van Horne '50
1960 – 1962 served as Treasurer on the Nurses Alumnae Executive
1963 – 1964 served as Prize Convenor
1964 – 1965 served as Social Convenor
1965 – 1966 served on the Advisory Board



Past Alumnae Presidents

*Back Row: Iva Kathleen Leona Elizabeth Eva Mildred Irene
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St Joseph's 60th Anniversary Celebrations

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The nurses annual Reunion Dinner was held on the same day, Thursday June 8th, 1950

The graduates attended the 60th Anniversary celebrations.

This picture of past Alumnae Presidents was taken at the reunion

Bernardine Barry '50

1951 – 1952 served as Representative to the R.N.A.O. on the Nurses Alumnae Executive

Marjorie Donovan '50

1953 – 1954 served as President on the Nurses Alumnae Executive

Marjorie was the 11th President of the Nurses Alumnae

1958 – 1960 served as 2nd Vice President

1958 – 1960 also served as Programs & Social Convenor

2006 – 2009 served as a Member At large for Special Events

Phyllis Pomponi '50

1953 – 1954 served as 1st Vice President on the Nurses Alumnae Executive



Ruth Lee Crawford '50 Phyllis Pomponi Mancini '50

Patricia Hanlon was born on June 14th, 1929 in Guelph Ontario. She was the 4th daughter of James and Katherine Hanlon. She spent much of her childhood as a Girl Guide.

*She graduated from Loretto Academy in Guelph in 1947.
She entered the CSJ novitiate in 1951 and then entered St. Joseph School of Nursing and graduated in the class of 1950. She received a scholarship for post graduate studies in nursing education.*

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In 1955 she continued her studies and earned her diploma in Nursing Education / Hospital Administration.
In 1955 she worked at St Joseph's Hospital in Guelph as a Pediatric teacher and Director of the School of Nursing.
She then earned her BScN from the University of Ottawa, and pursued Economics at McMaster University. During this time, she held various nursing and management positions at both St. Joseph's Hospital in Guelph and Hamilton. At St Joseph's Hospital in Hamilton she was the Supervisor of the Emergency Department.*

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Sister Patricia returned to St Joseph's Hospital in Hamilton in 1981 and joined the Pastoral Care Team. She continued to provide pastoral / palliative care to the patients in the Clinical Teaching Unit and the hospital until her retirement in 2017. Throughout those years she took on an extensive telephone ministry.*

The staff of CTU held a surprise 80th birthday party and officially unveiled the new Sister Patricia Hanlon Quiet Room, named in honour of her many years of dedication and contributions to her patients and fellow staff at St. Joseph's Healthcare.

Sister Patricia retired at the end of 2017, having given 70 years of service. In Sister Patricia's retirement she continued to volunteer in Pastoral outreach to hospitals, nursing homes, funeral homes and beyond. In the fall of 2019, she moved to the St Joseph Residence in London Ont. She entered Eternal Life on April 24, 2020



SISTER PATRICIA HANLON

The Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada, (Hamilton) are saddened to announce the death of Sister Patricia (Vianney) Hanlon at University Hospital London, Ontario on April 24, 2020 in her 69th year as a Sister of St. Joseph. She was the daughter of the late James Raymond and Mary Katharine (Mahon) Hanlon. She was predeceased by her sisters, Rita and Sister Virginia CSJ. Sister Patricia will be remembered with love, respect and gratitude by her sister, Katharine (James) Meechan, nieces and nephews and their families and the members of her religious family, the sisters of St. Joseph, especially her friend and companion in ministry, Sister Giovanni Finoro.

Sister Patricia was a woman of prayer and faith. She possessed that rare combination of professional competence, personal compassion and humility. She began her life of service in the Healthcare Profession in 1955 at St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph as a Pediatric Teacher and Director of the School of Nursing and then ministering at St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton as the Supervisor of the Emergency Department. In 1968 she stepped away from Healthcare to become involved in the Congregational Formation Program, serving as the Director of Formation. Sister Patricia returned to St Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton in 1981 where she worked in Pastoral Care until her retirement in 2017. Throughout those years she also took on an extensive telephone ministry deeply meaningful to so many people. In Sister Patricia's retirement she continued to volunteer in Pastoral outreach to hospitals, nursing homes, funeral homes and beyond. In the fall of 2019, she was welcomed along with other Hamilton Sisters into the St. Joseph Residence in London.

There will be a private interment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Burlington.
A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at a later date.
Condolences can be sent to: Suite 302, 911 Golf Links Road. Ancaster, Ontario, L9k 1H9

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Sister Patricia and Sister Giovanni retired at the end of 2017

Sister Patricia having given 70 years of service and Sister Giovanni having given 58 years

Sister Giovanni

***Sister was transferred to St Joseph Hamilton in 1959 and worked in Accounting
In 1971 she became Manager of the Accounts Department and held that position until she retired in 1997
During the next few years, she was responsible for Telecommunications and the Admitting Department until 1983.
From 1997 – 2017 Sister Giovanni was the face of St Joseph's at Patient Information***

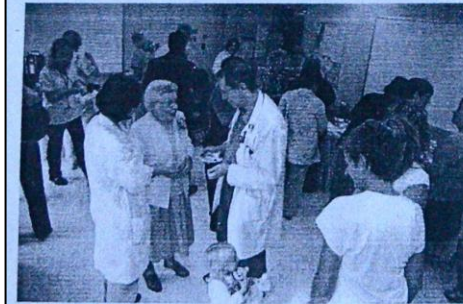


CTU Quiet Room recently named in honour of beloved Sister

Sister Patricia was born on June 14th, 1929 in Guelph, Ontario. The fourth daughter of James and Katharine Hanlon, young Patricia spent much of her childhood as a girl guide. In 1947, she graduated from Loretto Academy in Guelph, the only student in her class to complete grade 13. With a deep compassion for wanting to help people, that same year she registered at St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, graduating in 1950. Always feeling "the call of the Lord", Sister Patricia decided to become a nun and in 1951, entered St. Joseph's Community, Hamilton, a predominantly nursing order.



With a scholarship that she received upon graduation, she returned to her studies and in 1955 earned a diploma in Nursing Education/Hospital Administration. Over the next decade, Sister Patricia continued her studies, earning her BScN from the University of Ottawa and pursuing Economics at McMaster University. During this time, Sister Patricia held various nursing and management positions at both St. Joseph's Hospital in Guelph and Hamilton.



With her nursing career spanning nearly six decades, Sister Patricia Hanlon continues to provide pastoral/palliative care to the patients of the Clinical Teaching Unit here at St. Joe's.

On September 20th, the staff of the CTU held a surprise birthday party to celebrate Sister Patricia's 80th birthday (which took place in June). Attendees included Sister's closest friends, family and fellow St. Joe's colleagues. If that wasn't surprise enough, the staff of CTU officially unveiled the new Sister Patricia Hanlon Quiet Room, named in honour of her many years of dedication and contributions to her patients and fellow staff at St. Joseph's Healthcare.

"St. Joe's is very blessed to have Sister Patricia as part of our family," says Donna Johnson, Nurse Manager, CTU and MAU. "We are forever grateful for the endless prayers, for the caring, compassion, and support that she provides for all of us."

Elizabeth Catherine McLeod was born July 1, 1923 in Port Credit, Ontario. Her father passed when she was 12 years of age. Her mother never remarried. Betty had two younger siblings, Margaret and Donald. She helped raise them.

Margaret was a student at Notre Dame Academy.

She became a nurse and was the 1st Director of Nursing at Atikpken General Hospital (250 miles North of Thunder Bay) She later worked as the Director of Nursing in Ft. Langley Hospital, B.C.

Betty was working part time in a florist shoppe while in training at St Joseph's School of Nursing. She met Harry Patrick Murphy & they were married in 1952 They had 2 adopted children, Brigid (in 1958) and Derek (in 1961).

Betty joined the Canadian Women's Army Corps (CWAC) and was stationed in Kitchener, Ontario After the war, she went into training as a nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing in Hamilton, Ontario and graduated with the class of 1950. Betty worked at Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital in Burlington as an OR nurse and later as an instructor. Her favourite OR experiences were assisting with paediatric cosmetic surgeries for children in need. Her daughter said Betty was great at providing all the details of those surgeries and others, while they were at the dinner table. Betty enjoyed her work as a teacher, but preferred the actual OR work. Her daughter assisted her mom by photographing all the OR equipment for Betty so she could use them for her classes.

She frequently visited the Mother House and was good friends with Sister Patricia Hanlon. She also liked to visit Sister Ursula, Sister Mary Daniel and Sister Alfonse. Sister Alfonse was a music teacher at Notre Dame . She taught Margaret, Betty's younger sister on a baby grand piano.

Betty kept in touch with many nursing friends and her daughter Brigid Murphy was her chauffeur to these personal visits and class reunions. Betty was active in the ladies auxilliary. Her passions were gardening, sewing, knitting, cooking and baking, and other craft creations.

Betty was proud to be a St. Joe's graduate. Her daughter donated a music box to the Nurses Alumnae. The music box plays rock a- by- baby, has a porcelain face and her head moves to the music She said Betty would have wanted "her" to return to St. Joe's.



Elizabeth Catherine McLeod '50



Music Box



Patricia Scollard'50

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Pat Scollard Murphy graduated from St Joe's School of Nursing as part of the largest class in the Hospital's history. She has many good memories of the learning opportunities she was given.

I developed many friendships while I was in nursing school and the camaraderie was special as we leaned on each other for ongoing support. One classmate even brought Pat & her future husband together on a blind date for the nursing Alumnae's Chrysanthemum Ball.

Pat's nursing aspirations began at an early age & she spent lots of time bandaging her dolls and young friends. She learned the meaning of hard work on her family's 1,000 acre farm south of Brantford. She was offered a job at St Joe's right away.

She married Gordon Murphy in 1951 and their family grew with 6 children, 15 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

Pat & Gordon were together for 65 years before he passed in 2017 at the age of 88 years.

For 10 years Pat has been making annual gifts to St Joseph's Healthcare Foundation & she also decided to include a gift through her Wil. "I know my gift helps fund new possibilities at the Hospital" says Pat.



*Joy Guenther class of 1950
donated
Long sleeve Graduation uniform
and her cape with the initials MJG*



*Jean Watson class of 1950
donated
her cape with the initials JVW*

Material in this presentation was gathered from several sources.

*-newspaper articles in the Hamilton Spectator
-Alumnae Minutes & articles from the archives at the Motherhouse
-photos from Reunion Day celebrations*

*My apologies for any errors or omissions.
Connie Beamer Prowse'69
Archive Coordinator S.J.S.N.A.A.*



Mary (Sangster) Smithson' 50 doesn't rest on her laurels. This 79-year-old from Stoney Creek has been honoured as the 2008 Hamilton Municipal Senior of the Year. And this year we highlight this Senior of the Year. A synopsis and resume of her life encapsulates and highlights her life thus far.

"I have been a member of the Advisory Committee for Disabled People, City of Hamilton since 2002. One of the projects I worked on was the curb cuts/ramps throughout the city, to understand the reasoning for the design changes and the purpose they served in relationship to the visually impaired and hard of hearing persons throughout the city. I have participated in the discussions and initial implantation planning for the Ontario Disability Act (ODA). The City of Hamilton devised the Barrier Free guidelines 2005, derived from the ODA which was extremely interesting work, planning and rethinking ways to allow all citizens to work and play in the community with equity. I have been the President of the Hamilton Branch, Canadian Hard of Hearing Association (CHHA) for 3 years, and a member for 12 years. This organization's mandate is to educate the public and support those with

hearing loss, and encouraging public buildings to address improved acoustics with the latest technology in speakers and microphones which assists the hard of hearing to participate in the social aspect of the community.

I have also been coordinator and facilitator along with team members at St. Francis Xavier Church, Stoney Creek for the Marriage Preparation program, for 20 years. This program encourages discussion between couples planning to marry on the everyday family living situations in their future and getting ideas out into the open concerning their future together. Previously a fundraiser team member, relating to buildings, for St. Francis Xavier Church and school. I have been a member of this church since 1951, serving on Parish Council (5 years) hoping to bring church and community together. I also prepared the schedule for the lay ministers – lecturers, Eucharistic ministers and commentators who assisted with church services. I was also stewardship speaker when asked to do so for the program in Canada and USA. My husband and I travelled as speakers to encourage financial giving, community service and sharing of talents in many different ways.

In the year 2000, along with my husband, we received the Diocesan Medal of Honour, the highest civilian honour for the Hamilton Diocese. Together with others from the diocese in 1987, we served with Bishop Ustrzyci on a committee planning the Diocesan Anniversary Mass. I still assist with this Anniversary Mass. The Celebration takes place annually at Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton and invites couples celebrating 25, 40, 50 and 60 years and more of marriage, to come together for a Mass with Bishop Tonnos, Bishop of Hamilton.

I was also involved in fund raising by walking, house to house, in the early days of Stoney Creek/Saltfleet community for the United Way, Red Cross, Salvation Army and the needy of the day. This I did for many years. I was a board member of the Stoney Creek Non Profit Housing Board from 1983 to 1992. During that time we planned and built the following: Stoney Brook Manor, 120 senior unit apartment complexes Paramout apartments, 100 senior unit apartment complexes, Mistywood, 60 single family homes for families including 2 units for the disabled, Queenston apartment complex, 100 units for single persons including some for the disabled. I was also the Newsletter Editor for the Stoney Creek Quilters Guild and Librarian for the art books for the Winona Seniors Art Class.

I have served on the initial committee to have St. Joseph Hospital selected to supply the medical service in East Hamilton/Stoney Creek. After the selection of St. Joseph, I continued on the committee until the East End St. Joseph's Urgent Care Hospital was built. That was formerly named the Ambulatory Care Hospital with the logo, a daisy flower, which is not used today. Before the East End Mental Health Clinic was incorporated into the East End St. Joe's Urgent Care Hospital, I served on the advisory board.

As the Mother of 4 Fruitbelt cubs and scouts, I made many healthy cookies, none of which went stale. Two more very satisfactory volunteering activities included being a friendly visitor for the Cancer treatment clients, taking them shopping or just for a drive for a change of scenery. I was also involved in tutoring with the Literacy program, teaching adults to read on a one to one basis. As a graduate of St. Joseph School of Nursing I have helped with Alumnae Reunions for my class, every 5 years. I also designed and made the uniform that doll in St. Joseph's display case is wearing. The latest challenging appointment for me is to the Emergency Medical Services committee of Hamilton."



Class of 1950 Donated the Alumnae Doll for their 50th Reunion
Ruth Lea Mary Sangster Mary Cummings Betty MacLeod
Crawford Smithson Daly Murphy



The class of 1950 donated a fully dressed doll to the Alumnae for their 50th Reunion, celebrated Friday June 9, 2000. The doll is 34" tall and dressed in the school uniform of 1947-1950, complete with cape. Mary Sangster Smithson '50 designed the clothes. They asked that she be used in the Alumnae Display Cabinet in the lobby of St. Joseph Hospital