

# The Alumni Connection

*“95 Years of Leadership in Nursing”*  
1903-1998

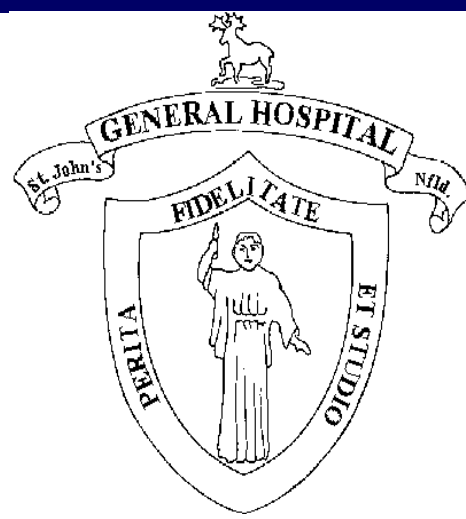
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## Executive Committee

**2012-2013**

- President:** Sue Walsh, Class 1977  
**Vice-President:** Carolyn Churchill, Class of 1982  
**Treasurer:** Cindy Marshall, Class of 1977  
**Secretary:** Kim Neary, Class of 1997



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This is the twenty fifth newsletter issued annually to promote communication between the membership.

## Alumni News

**The Alumni Organization:**

The organization branch of the Alumni was established in 1992 to raise funds for the Diamond Jubilee Scholarship and to help fund the Lillian Stevenson Archives/Museum. All contributions are tax deductible.

**Alumni Association:**

The Association exists to promote communication among our nursing school graduates. Membership fees are the primary revenue source funding this newsletter, class reunions, and general operating expenses. Classes preparing for reunions can request financial assistance from the Association to help offset reunion expenses.

**Membership Fees:**

Membership fees remain unchanged this year at \$5.00. This nominal amount keeps membership affordable for our graduates. We invite all graduates to become active members and help support our Alumni activities. For 2013-2014, we have 358 paid members.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

- For school transcripts or caps, contact Debbie Pantin at 777-81761, Centre for Nursing Studies.
- Archival phone number is 777-7682. email: [Archives\\_1981@hotmail.com](mailto:Archives_1981@hotmail.com)
- The Lillian Stevenson Museum/ Archives is open every Thursday from 2-4.
- Class reunions can contact the alumni president or Dr. Janet Story at 777-7682
- We are on the web! [www.ghsonalumni.ca](http://www.ghsonalumni.ca)
- There is a stipend available for classes celebrating reunions.

**New Mailing address:**  
**General Hospital School of Nursing**  
**Alumni**  
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# The Diamond Jubilee Scholarship

The General Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Association offers three scholarships annually.

Two scholarships are awarded at the Annual General Meeting to a graduate of the General Hospital School of Nursing. One \$1500 scholarship is offered to a graduate pursuing a Bachelor of Nursing and one \$1500.00 scholarship is offered to a graduate pursuing a Masters of Nursing. Unfortunately, this year there were no applicants so they will not be awarded. If you know of someone who could benefit from this opportunity please encourage them to apply.

The third scholarship offered by the Alumni is \$1000, which is awarded by the ARNNL in November. This scholarship is offered to a child or grandchild of an Alumni member who is currently enrolled and pursuing a career in nursing. Unfortunately, the ARNNL has reported that they had no applicants this year who met the criteria. The scholarship was not awarded in November 2012, so if you know someone who might avail of this opportunity, please encourage them to apply.

Information on these scholarships and how to apply are available on the GHSON Alumni and ARNNL website.

<http://www.ghsonalumni.ca/scholarships.htm>

<https://www.arannl.ca/tpg.php?p=69>

## Congratulations

**The General Hospital School of Nursing Alumni proudly congratulates the following graduates for their academic success.**

### **Bachelor of Nursing**

### **Masters of Nursing**

Lisa (Kennedy) Picco Class of 1997

# GHSOON Alumni Presidents Message

*Prepared by Susan Walsh (1977)*

It has been an honour and a privilege to serve as the President of the General Hospital School of Nursing Alumni for the past year. I would like to thank the members of the executive for their dedication and support over the past year - Carolyn Churchill, Vice-President; Kim Neary, Secretary, and Cindy Marshall, Treasurer. I want to say a special thank you to Kim and Cindy who are stepping down after tonight. Kim has been on the executive for eight years and Cindy for four years.

Tonight we are represented by 50 classes from the School and we extend special congratulations to the Class of 1963 celebrating 50 years and the Class of 1988 celebrating 25 years.

We extend a very warm welcome to those who have traveled to be reunited with classmates and those attending for the first time. Welcome all.

I was unable to attend the Canada Day march with the veterans this year. However, if any of you would like to take part next year, please contact any member of the executive for further information.

Thank you to Dr. Story and the volunteers in the archives for preserving our school heritage. To the Alumni members, thank you for donations made and we look forward to your continued support through the coming year.



## Donations to the Alumni


All donations are greatly appreciated. Sincere thanks to the following donors to the organization account.

Ada Chow	Elizabeth Giannou	Joan Dawe	Mabel V. Reid	Nancy Christopher	Sylvia Young
Ada Simms	Elizabeth Good	Joan Holman	Margaret Dwyer	Natalie Huxter-Stone	Vivien Jones
Agnes Fennell	Elizabeth Shandera	Joan Ingram	Margaret Maloney	Nora Kelly	Wanda Parsons
B. Mary Chafe	Elizabeth Wells	Joan Sweetland	Marguerite Karre	Norma Baker	
Bernice Wiseman-Poffley	Ellen Thorne	Joy Andrews	Marie Parsons	Pamela Baker	
Bertha Schofield	Elsie Wells	Judith Southwall	Marilyn Hogan	Paula Fiffeld	
Carmel Doody	Emma Browne	Judy Lush	Mary Constantine	Rita Callaghan	
Carolyn Cockerline	Florence Bradbury	June Pollett	Mary Kelly	Ruby Chapman	
Catherine Burry	Gladys Stockley	Karen Hillyard	Matilda Bara	Ruby Felix	
Dora Cooze	Jean Smith	Linda Affleck	Melinda Daniels	Sandra Tulk	
Doris Clarke	Jeanette Walsh	Mabel Peyer	Mollie Butler	Sharon Fudge	
Doris Tucker	Jenny Norman		Muriel Shaw	Sharon Theurerkauf	
	Jill Langin				

### *Donations in memory of Alumni Members for*

<i>Mary (Jenkins) Messer</i>	made by	<i>Nellie Hennebury</i>
<i>Phyllis (Piercey) Downton-Courtney</i>	made by	<i>Helen Butt</i>
<i>Maude (Butler) Brown</i>	made by	<i>Mary Chafe</i>
<i>Connie (Quick) Pearcey</i>	made by	<i>Class of 1976</i>
<i>Doreen Rose</i>	made by	<i>Class of 1976</i>

All donations are greatly appreciated but due to space limitations only donations of twenty dollars or more are listed in the newsletter.





Alumni 2012  
Dinner Pictures



## **Lillian Stevenson Archives/Museum Report**

### **Report 2012-2013**

*Prepared by Jeanette Walsh*

The Archives continues to operate from the 4th floor of the Miller Centre and is opened every Thursday from 2 – 4pm. Our future there is still uncertain however to date we have heard nothing further from Eastern Health regarding their need for this space.

The Museum section focuses on artifacts related to nursing and nursing education at the General Hospital from Mary Southcott's time onwards. The Archives primarily contains the Alumni files which have been updated and computerized by Doreen Bennick, Class 1970. Unfortunately for us, Doreen and her family have returned to Ontario however she has left the files in good shape. To ensure they remain current we ask that you keep us informed of changes in your class list. This information will also help us maintain the Alumni Memoriam Book which is updated annually by Betty Parsons, Class 1960. We also send sympathy cards to families of deceased Alumni but again we rely on class members to forward this information. You can leave a phone message at 777-7185 or email us at [archives\\_1981@hotmail.com](mailto:archives_1981@hotmail.com)

We have a variety of visitors each year; tourists who read about us in the Newfoundland and Labrador annual traveler's guide, class reunions who include a visit as one of their reunion activities and more recently nursing students, as a visit to the Archives is included as part of their curriculum on nursing history.

Miss Story has retired from the Archives due to failing health however she remains available to us if we need her. We take this opportunity to acknowledge all she has done to preserve our history. A thank you is a very small expression of our appreciation.

The group of Alumni members who work at the Archives weekly are: Pamela Baker (Class 1969), Elizabeth Good (Class 1961), Elle Hawco (Class 1963), Joan Tizzard (Class 1969), Elsie Wells (Class 1968) and Jeanette Walsh (Class 1965). They are primarily recording and filing accomplishments of Alumni members. If you know of an Alumni members who has received an award or some other significant accomplishment please let us know.

**E-mail: [Archives\\_1981@hotmail.com](mailto:Archives_1981@hotmail.com)**



## In Memoriam



<i>Mary (Galway) Tucker</i>	<i>Class of 1938</i>
<i>Alice (Battcock) Benoit</i>	<i>Class of 1944</i>
<i>Hazel (Rendell) Goodridge</i>	<i>Class of 1946</i>
<i>Helen (Cramm) Burt</i>	<i>Class of 1948</i>
<i>Ruth (Morris) Tapper</i>	<i>Class of 1948</i>
<i>Geneva (Rendell) Went</i>	<i>Class of 1948</i>
<i>Mary (Power) Kelly</i>	<i>Class of 1950</i>
<i>Verna (Hollett) Thaxton</i>	<i>Class of 1951</i>
<i>Phyllis (Piercey, Downton)</i>	<i>Class of 1951</i>
<i>Courtney</i>	
<i>Elizabeth Strong</i>	<i>Class of 1959</i>
<i>Shirley (Ellsworth) Lewis</i>	<i>Class of 1960</i>
<i>Ruby (Earle) Gilles</i>	<i>Class of 1960</i>
<i>Mona (Cumby ,Dyke) Le-Drew</i>	<i>Class of 1960</i>
<i>Daral (Higgins) Murphy</i>	<i>Class of 1961</i>
<i>Ruby Mills</i>	<i>Class of 1961</i>
<i>Blanche (Gray) Garf</i>	<i>Class of 1962</i>
<i>Elizabeth (Hyde) Windsor</i>	<i>Class of 1963</i>
<i>Sheila (Scott) Hynes</i>	<i>Class of 1965</i>
<i>Colleen Brown</i>	<i>Class of 1978</i>
<i>Barbara Hollett</i>	<i>Class of 1977</i>
<i>Joanne Hapgood</i>	<i>Class of 1979</i>
<i>Maureen (McCormack) Kavanagh</i>	<i>Class of 1980</i>



*We extend our sincere sympathy to their families and friends. If we have omitted any graduates' names, please accept our apologies. The alumni forwards an expression of sympathy when advised of the death of one of our graduates. We encourage you to contact an executive member if you know of a graduate who has died.*

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## General Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Annual Dinner, General Meeting and Silent Auction Minutes October 4, 2012

### 1.0 Welcome and Call to Order

Call to order and welcome by Susan Walsh (Class of 1977)

### 2.0 Approval of Agenda

Agenda approved as written. Moved by Lisa Picco (Class of 1997), seconded by Carolyn Churchill (Class of 1982).

### 3.0 Moment of Silence/ Recognition of Deceased Members

Jeanette Walsh (Class of 1965) conducted the moment of silence and recognition.

Sympathy cards were sent on behalf of the Alumni from the Archive Ladies.

### 4.0 Class Roll Call

Members were asked by Bertha Schofield (Class of 1965) to stand when graduation year called.

The roll started at 1948.

**300** Alumni members in attendance: **54** Classes were represented.

### 5.0 Review of Minutes of October 2012

Minutes approved with no errors or omissions. Moved by Blanch Garf (Class of 1962 ), seconded by Robert Meadus (Class of 1978).

### 6.0 Business Arising

Increase in the cost of the dinners from the Holiday Inn required and five dollar increase be passed on to its members.

Check with the ARNNL to change the requirements of the scholarship for a child/grandchild of an Alumni member pursuing a career in nursing to include child or grandchild living in or outside of Newfoundland.

### 7.0 New Business

#### 7.1 Reports

Presidents, Treasurers and Archival reports were presented in the newsletter. Adoption of reports moved by June Petten (Class of 1962 ); seconded by Bertha Schofield ( Class of 1965)

#### 7.2 Scholarship Committee Report

No applicants were received for the Masters of Nursing scholarship so if you know of anyone working on their MN or BN please advise them of this opportunity and encourage them to apply.

The scholarship for children/grandchildren of Alumni members was not awarded by the ARNNL .

Carolyn Churchill presented the scholarship report and announced this years recipient as Michelle Mackay (Class of 1992).



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Annual Dinner, General Meeting and Silent Auction Minutes  
October 4, 2012**

Motion for report acceptance: moved by Lisa Picco (Class of 1997), seconded by Jill Butler (Class of 1977).

7.3 Presentation to 25th and 50th year graduates

Carolyn Churchill and Cindy Marshall presented the class of 1962 with their 50 year anniversary alumni pins. They had a large turnout with 24 graduates in attendance.

The Class of 1987 celebrating their 25th anniversary had one graduate in attendance.

7.4 Presentations

Carolyn Churchill and Susan Walsh presented flowers to the Archive Volunteers and to alumni members who graduated prior to 1952 for their 60th plus anniversary .

Donation to the Archives presented to Jeanette Walsh.

Class of 1965 made a donation to the scholarship fund in honor of deceased class members.

Class of 1962 made a donation to the Alumni.

7.5 Election of Officers

Susan Walsh put forward a motion to wave the by-law to allow Kim, Cindy to stay on the executive for an additional year.

President:	Susan Walsh, Class of 1977	Election of officers was moved in one motion from the floor.
Vice President:	Carolyn Churchill, Class of 1982	Moved by Elizabeth Dawe, class of 1979
Secretary:	Kim Neary , Class of 1997	Seconded by Janet Brown, class of 1980
Treasurer:	Cindy Marshall, Class of 1977	

7.6 Next Meeting

The next annual meeting will be held on Thursday, October 2, 2014 at the Holiday Inn.

7.7 Concluding Remarks

8.0 Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 2110 hours. Moved by Nancy Bungay (Class of 1998) and seconded by Yvonne Breeze (Class of 1987)

General Hospital School of Nursing Alumni  
Annual General Meeting  
Thursday, October 3, 2013

- **Welcome**
- **Approval of Agenda**
- **Moment of Silence**
- **Class Roll Call**
- **Presentations**
- **Review of Minutes of October 4, 2012**
- **Business Arising**
- **New Business**
  - President, Treasurer and Archival Report
  - Scholarship Report
  - Cost of mail out
- **Election of Officers**
- **Next meeting, October 2, 2014**
- **Concluding Remarks**
- **Adjournment**