

The Alumni Connection

"95 Years of Leadership in Nursing"
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This is the twenty-sixth 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 2014-2015, we have 379 paid members.

DID YOU KNOW?

- For school transcripts or caps, contact Debbie Pantin at 777-8161, Centre for Nursing Studies.
- Archival phone number is 777-7682. email: Archives_1981@hotmail.com
- The Lillian Stevenson Museum/ Archives is open every Thursday from 2-4.
- Class reunions can contact the alumni president or Mrs. Betty Good at 777-7682.
- We are on the web! www.ghsonalumni.ca
- There is a stipend available for classes celebrating reunions.

New Mailing Address:
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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 scholarship is offered to a graduate pursuing a Masters of Nursing. While there were no applicants for the Masters of Nursing scholarship, we are pleased to present two Bachelor of Nursing scholarships. The two recipients for this year are Sharon McDonald (Class of 1991) and Roxane Jackson (Class of 1992).

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. We are pleased to announce that the scholarship was awarded in November 2013 to Kayla Morris, daughter of Karen (Andrews) Morris (Class of 1984).

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

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

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

If you know of someone who could benefit from these opportunities, please encourage them to apply.

Congratulations

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

Bachelor of Nursing

Masters of Nursing

GHSOON Alumni President's Message

Prepared by Susan Walsh (1977)

Once again it has been a pleasure to serve as your President for the past year. While having two roles over the year, due to the alumni not having a Secretary, has been trying at times, I have learned a lot about the workings of the Alumni and the preparation needed to successfully prepare for the dinner. I thank Elaine Carew, Treasurer, and Carolyn Churchill, Vice-President, for their support.

Tonight we are represented by 45 classes and 340 graduates. We especially would like to recognize the Class of 1964 celebrating 50 years and the Class of 1989 celebrating 25 years. Also of note is the Class of 1954 celebrating 60 years. We extend a special welcome to you all.

During the year we were saddened by the passing of Dr. Janet Story. On behalf of the Alumni we extend our condolences to the Story Family. She will be missed by the Alumni and the Archives.

Once again we were well represented at the Canada Day March and we invite any Alumni who would like to join us to please contact a member of the Executive for further information. Those who have marched with our veterans on Memorial Day have found this to be a very rewarding experience.

We are very pleased to be presenting two Diamond Jubilee Scholarships tonight. Both are for Bachelor of Nursing Post RN. Congratulations to Sharon McDonald, Class of 1991, and Roxane Jackson, Class of 1992. We also congratulate the 2013 winner of the ARNNL Administered Scholarship, Kayla Morris.



Donations to the Alumni


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

Alice Seviour	Elizabeth Good	Joan Dawe	Marina Osborne	Paula Fifield
Alma Stead	Elizabeth Johnston	Joan Ingram	Mary Audia	Peggy Daws
Bernice Wiseman-Poffley	Elizabeth Martin	Joan Sweetland	Mary Kelly	Phyllis Joy
Bertha Schofield	Elizabeth Shandera	Joy Andrews	Mary Kimball	Rita Callaghan
Carolyn Way	Elsie Wells	Joyce Warren	Matilda Bara	Ruby Chapman
Catherine Healy	Fay Cormier	Judy Lush	Melinda Daniels	Ruby Felix
Catherine Spencer	Gail Vaughan	June Pollett	Mollie Butler	Sandra Pollett
Christine Cole	Ida Doucette	Karen Kitchen	Muriel Fever	Sharon Fudge
Daphne Squires	Janet Crocker	Louise Stalder	Nancy Christopher	Siobhainn Lewis
Daphne Wallace	Jean Smith	Margaret Dwyer	Nancy Parsons	Susan Earles
Elaine Bursey	Jeanette Walsh	Margaret Maloney	Nathalia Huxter-Stone	Vivian Jones
Elizabeth Giannou	Jenny Norman	Marguerite Karre	Norma Shedlovsky	Wanda Belanger
	Jill Langin	Marilyn Hogan	Pamela Baker	Wanda Parsons
			Paul Bursey	

Donations in memory of Alumni Members for

<i>Deceased Classmates, Class of 1966</i>	made by	<i>Class of 1966</i>
<i>Marguerite (Snow) Neville, 1950B</i>	made by	<i>Gladys Stockley</i>
<i>Mary (Dunley) Nurse, 1944B</i>	made by	<i>Doris Clarke</i>
<i>Gertrude Tobin, 1944B</i>	made by	<i>Doris Clarke</i>
<i>Deceased Classmates, Class of 1976</i>	made by	<i>Class of 1976</i>
<i>Deceased Classmates, Class of 1979</i>	made by	<i>Elizabeth Dawe</i>
<i>Mary Angela Kelly, 1950</i>	made by	<i>Terry Kelly (son)</i>

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





*Alumni 2013
Dinner Pictures*



Lillian Stevenson Archives/Museum Report

Report 2013-2014

Prepared by Jeanette Walsh

The Archives/Museum continues to operate from the 4th floor of the L. A. Miller Centre and is opened every Thursday from 2pm – 4pm except during the Christmas period.

Visitors to the Archives include tourists, year 1 nursing students who visit as part of the introductory nursing course, and former employees of the old General Hospital. The Archive's volunteers will also conduct tours for groups, e.g. class reunions, with advance notice.

This year we lost three former Archives volunteers; Dr. Janet Story (Class 1948), Kathleen Roche (Class 1949) and Marilyn Marsh (Class 1956). Neither had been active in recent years due to health issues however they made a significant contribution to the work of the Archives since it opened in 1981. We owe Miss Story a debt of thanks for preserving our history and making the archives a notable historical site in the province. She is missed.

Six volunteers continue the work at the Archives; Pamela Baker (Class 1969), Elizabeth Good (Class 1961), Ella Hawco (Class 1963), Joan Tizzard (Class 1969), Elsie Wells (Class 1969) and Jeanette Walsh (Class 1965). They are primarily involved in cataloguing artifacts and documents related to the history of the General Hospital School of Nursing and compiling individual records of its graduates and their accomplishments. We continue to rely on Alumni members to keep us updated of changes in each class. Changes in contact information or notification of deceased members can be emailed to archives_1981@hotmail.com or leave a message at 777-7185.

We are still looking for year books. The missing years include 1949, 1951, 1954, and 1955. Should you have any of these years and are willing to donate or lend them to the Archives to be copied it would be greatly appreciated.

E-mail: Archives_1981@hotmail.com



In Memoriam



<i>Mary (Beehan) Kearney</i>	<i>Class of 1939</i>
<i>Sybil (Boyd) Butler</i>	<i>Class of 1946</i>
<i>Janet Story</i>	<i>Class of 1948</i>
<i>Kathleen Roche</i>	<i>Class of 1949</i>
<i>Jean (Oke) Burt</i>	<i>Class of 1949</i>
<i>Marguerite (Neville) Snow</i>	<i>Class of 1950</i>
<i>Margaret (Parsons) McInnes</i>	<i>Class of 1950</i>
<i>Pauline (Kelland) Feltham</i>	<i>Class of 1952</i>
<i>Mary Elaine (Jerrett) Sparkes</i>	<i>Class of 1954</i>
<i>Carmel (Battcock) Buckingham</i>	<i>Class of 1954</i>
<i>Pauline (Barnes) Parsons</i>	<i>Class of 1954</i>
<i>Marilyn (Leckie) Marsh</i>	<i>Class of 1956</i>
<i>Rita (Adey) Anderson</i>	<i>Class of 1958</i>
<i>Exie (Marsh) Malone</i>	<i>Class of 1961</i>
<i>Mary (Keating) Murphy</i>	<i>Class of 1961</i>
<i>June (Russell) Petten</i>	<i>Class of 1962</i>
<i>Georgina (Perhan) Major</i>	<i>Class of 1964</i>
<i>Eleanor (Holden) Gardner</i>	<i>Class of 1965</i>
<i>Marjorie (Clarke) Morency</i>	<i>Class of 1965</i>
<i>Margaret (Babs) (McKinnon) Blois</i>	<i>Class of 1966</i>
<i>Judy (Silcox) Rowe</i>	<i>Class of 1968</i>
<i>Madonna (Vardy) Young</i>	<i>Class of 1978</i>
<i>Anne Marie (Healey) Spencer</i>	<i>Class of 1979</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.

General Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Annual Dinner, General Meeting and Silent Auction Minutes October 3, 2013

1.0 Welcome and Call to Order

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

Welcome new and first time members.

2.0 Approval of Agenda

Agenda approved as written. Moved by Shirley Rooney (Class of 1963), seconded by Kim Neary (Class of 1997).

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 by the Archive Ladies.

Ladies sang chorus of Amazing Grace.

4.0 Class Roll Call

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

The roll started at 1944.

320 Alumni members in attendance: **50** Classes were represented.

5.0 Review of Minutes of October 2012

Minutes approved with no errors. Omission of donation by Elizabeth Good addressed. Moved by Denise Doyle (Class of 1968), seconded by Carolyn Churchill (Class of 1982).

6.0 Business Arising

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

Form committee to take over scholarship. Review and report to alumni next year for approval.

Normally present scholarships, but no applicants for either MUN or Post BN-RN program.

Take over ARNNL scholarship to administer and change to offer to outside province too, not just in NL.

Letters regarding membership and scholarships to go out only to members registered in the last 5 years was proposed and approval given by show of hands.

7.1 Reports

President's, Treasurer's 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.

**General Hospital School of Nursing Alumni
Annual Dinner, General Meeting and Silent Auction Minutes
October 3, 2013**

Carolyn Churchill presented the scholarship report and announced this year's recipient as Michelle Mackay (Class of 1992).
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 1963 with their 50 year anniversary alumni pins.
They had a large turnout with 45 graduates in attendance.

The Class of 1988 celebrating their 25th anniversary had no graduates in attendance.

7.4 Presentations

Carolyn Churchill and Cindy Marshall presented flowers to the Archive Volunteers and to alumni members who graduated prior to 1953 for their 60th plus anniversary.

Class of 1962 donated \$500 to the Cancer Society in memory of Blanch Garf.

Class of 1961 donated \$175 to the Scholarship Fund.

Class of 1976 donated \$700 in memory of classmates Connie Quake Piercey and Doreen Rose.

Donation to the Archives presented to Jeanette Walsh.

7.5 Election of Officers

Conducted by Robert Meadus (Class of 1978) with the following results:

President: Susan Walsh, Class of 1977

Vice President: Carolyn Churchill, Class of 1982

Secretary: Not filled. Moved by Jeanette Walsh (Class of 1965) seconded by Robert Meadus (Class of 1978) that Executive be given authority to appoint a secretary if one comes up over the year.

Treasurer: Elaine Carew, Class of 1982

7.6 Next Meeting

The next annual meeting will be held on Thursday, October 1, 2015 at the Holiday Inn.

7.7 Concluding Remarks

8.0 Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 2135 hours. Moved by Kim Neary (Class of 1997) and seconded by Judy Burton (Class of 1977).

General Hospital School of Nursing Alumni
Annual General Meeting
Thursday, October 2, 2014

- **Welcome**
- **Approval of Agenda**
- **Moment of Silence**
- **Class Roll Call**
- **Presentations**
- **Review of Minutes of October 3, 2013**
- **Business Arising**
- **New Business**
 - President, Treasurer and Archival Report
 - Scholarship Report
- **Election of Officers**
- **Next Meeting, October 1, 2015**
- **Concluding Remarks**
- **Adjournment**