

Thank you . . .

Thanks to everyone who has written to tell us what you are doing these days. *Enclosed is a data form so you can keep us updated. Keep the news coming!*

Frances Flynn Herron ('57)

Lacombe, LA

From 1946 until graduation in 1957, SMP was my home. The sisters and my classmates taught me everything I know.

I had five pregnancies; the first three children lived. My second husband, Melvin Herron, and I had a little girl named Barbara Ann who died after birth. Our son Bobby had quite a lot of disabilities, but generated love wherever he went. I have three children, twelve grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Katherine Collura LeJune ('38)

I wish I were able to come again to visit my school. I'll soon be 90 years old. Earlier this year I had open heart surgery. This is the third time! I live alone as my husband is in a nursing home.

Jack Sassone ('39-'43)


Metairie, LA

I am a husband and the father of three sons and a daughter. I am a World War II veteran and a member of the DVA. I am an alumnus of Loyola University of the South and a graduate of the University of Colorado School of Pharmacy.

Professionally, I am the recipient of the William P O'Brian Clinical Pharmacist award, the Richard S. Ber- man Service Award, and have served as President of the National Society of Consultant Pharmacists.

Personally, I am past president and an active member of the Serra Club of East Jefferson and a member of the

St. Mary of the Pines Alumni ECHOES



May 2008

Monsignor Bezou Knights of Columbus Council.

I am the owner of an institutional pharmacy and am still active in the business.

Patricia Shanahan ('69)

San Antonio, TX

I am looking to reconnect with former SMP student Rebecca Boone McDaniel. Any information on how I can reach Rebecca would be appreciated.

Jane Grace Stacy ('7)

New Orleans, LA

I have been living in New Orleans since graduation from SMP in 1967. I graduated from Loyola University and have been a self-employed CPA since 1985. No children - only the 4-legged kind!

Diane Nobles-Turnage ('73)

McComb, MS

After nineteen years as a lab tech in a Mississippi Public Health Lab, then sixteen years as a biology instructor at Southwest Mississippi Community College, I will be retiring this year.

I look forward to traveling and working in my hobby shop.

**SMP Alumni
enter Eternal Life**

Carolyn Ann O'Neal ('58), January 9, 2008

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For the third year, 15 students and their moderator came from Mount Mary College in Milwaukee, WI, to visit SMP during spring break when they came to work in McComb at the food pantry and St. Andrew Thrift Store. Additionally, they served meals to the poor and visited with people. During their visit, they met with a group of Sisters so that they could ask questions about our life.

Easter was a beautiful day inside and outside. We all ate dinner and supper in the big dining room. The day's celebration also included a party and an Easter egg hunt.

On April Fools Day, twelve of us attended the annual barbecue with the Duplessis/Ourso family in Ponchatoula, LA. The picnic is the families' way of showing their appreciation for what the School Sisters of Notre Dame have meant to them. We came home with flats of strawberries, chicken, and a dozen jars of homemade jelly.

On April 4 a number of us went to the Evening in Lights in Magnolia. It has become a part of the annual azalea festival. There was a delicious pulled pork dinner, dancing, and visiting.

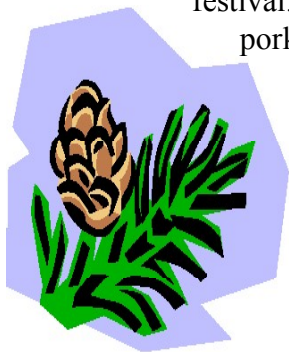
The next day we attended a pig roast at the home of associate Sherry Champagne.

Our Vocation Awareness Committee headed by associate Ruby Gautney organized a Mass and meeting with the Teen Group at St. Alphonsus

on April 20.

On Earth Day we enjoyed the earth with a picnic in Percy Quin Park.

On April 27 the Knights of Columbus in our area delighted us with bingo. Sir Knight Andy Spinnato and the other Knights created humor and entertainment along with the calling of numbers.



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S. Mary Fides Bourgeois
S. Mary Colleen Hennessey
S. LaVerne Kaemmerer
S. Audrey Mae Kihnemann

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S. Thomasette Pittari
S. Suzanne Menshek

Noteworthy News

On March 15, **S. Sandra Helton** (*Teacher, Lenore K. Hall Elementary School in Dallas, TX*) celebrated her Perpetual Profession as a School Sister of Notre Dame at St. Mary of the Pines in Chatawa, MS.

School Sisters of Notre Dame, family members, and friends witnessed Sister Sandra's "Yes" response to continue living God's call in her life through consecrated celibacy, gospel poverty and apostolic obedience. Sister Sandra had professed her first vows on August 17, 2002.

Photos and the story of S. Sandra's profession are available on our website www.ssnddallas.org.

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The SMP Alumni Reunion is May 2-4, 2008 at St. Mary of the Pines. More than 75 former students and faculty pre-registered for the weekend. In the next issue of Alumni Echoes we will offer a Reunion update with news and photos of the weekend event.

on www.ssnddallas.org

Just a reminder that the latest Alumni Echoes can be viewed on the ssnddallas website. The Username is *dallas* and the Password is *kramerlake*.

For security reasons, we ask that you **DO NOT** share the password information with anyone who is not an SMP alumni.