SPECIAL EDITION

First Alumni Link

Gets Positive Response

Second Issue Dedicated to the Sisters

The first issue of Alumni Link received an overwhelming response from across the country. It created a valuable connecting thread among all alumni.

This “special issue” of Alumni Link is dedicated to honoring the Sisters of the Little Company of Mary in their 100th Anniversary year of providing health care in America. In those 100 years, the Sisters have made countless contributions to the healthcare field and the communities they serve. We would like to share some memories from their interactions with us in the school of nursing, as well as bring you up-to-date on the many facets of their ministry.

100 Years In America . . .

Celebrating our Little Company of Mary Sisters

This year, 1993, marks the 100th Anniversary of the arrival of three Little Company of Mary Sisters in Chicago to begin a home care nursing service.

Their journey began with an invitation from Mr. Charles Mair to bring their healthcare ministry to America. Mr. Mair, a Chicagoan traveling abroad, was impressed by the “Blue Veiled” Sisters when his wife became ill and was hospitalized at Little Company of Mary-Calvary Hospital in Rome, Italy.

Settling in a two-story frame house on 41st Street and Indiana Avenue in 1893, the Sisters traveled across the city by streetcar to their home nursing assignments. A multitude of tales are told by our older alumni and Little Company employees who have fond memories of Sisters coming to their homes to care for their family members often doing so for months at a time.

The Sisters’ trusting faith and daring drive to build a hospital in the desolate and swampy area of Evergreen Park 62 years ago speaks of their vision, passion and determination. They persevered amidst the unfavorable odds presented by meager financial resources and few Sisters to bring health care to the sick and dying – the purpose for which their founder, Venerable Mary Potter, founded the congregation in 1877.

Over these past 100 years, they have made an impact on Catholic health care in the Americas, building, sustaining and improving facilities in locations like: Evergreen Park, Ill. (1930 - present); Jasper, Ind. (1951 - present); San Pierre, Ind. (1952 - present); East Cambridge, Mass. (1956 - 1959); Syracuse, N.Y. (1956 - 1959); Buenos Aires, Argentina (1953 - 1975); Torrance, Calif. (1959 - present); and Bronx, N.Y. (1974 - 1977).

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100 Years In America - continued

Included in these pages, are reports on the works of our Sisters in our healthcare institutions. Their roles have changed much from the early days. The diversity of the LCM ministries of healing includes not only traditional roles in hospitals, but also parish visitation, pastoral leadership, spiritual/retreat direction, AIDS ministry, and parish and hospice nursing. The works are now more varied, but the same spirit of service prevails.

We honor and salute our Little Company of Mary Sisters for this great achievement and for the privilege of being a part of the mission of their work.

Share in the June 5th Celebration

You, the LCM Nurse Alumni, are a vital part of the Evergreen Park chapter of the Sisters’ history. The School of Nursing, which opened its doors in 1931, graduated six nurses from its first class in 1933. On June 16, 1984, the last class graduated and finalized an important segment in LCM nursing education. Over the span of 53 years, 1,818 women and men graduated and entered the profession of nursing.

The Sisters’ memories of you are a cherished and valued part of their lives. Some were your directors, others your teachers and many more were your classmates. Please know you are very much remembered at this time of celebration and if you can accept this invitation, your presence will be honored.

The Sisters of the Little Company of Mary respectfully invite you to join them in the Eucharistic Celebration of their 100th Anniversary of Health Care and Pastoral/Parish Ministries in America.

Saturday, June 5, 1993
5:30 p.m.
St. Bernadette Church
9343 South Francisco
Evergreen Park, Illinois

His Eminence Joseph Cardinal Bernardin
Archbishop of Chicago
will preside.

Social Gathering to follow at
Hilton Inn of Oak Lawn
9300 South Cicero Avenue
Oak Lawn, Illinois

The Sisters praise God for their past works and celebrate in thanksgiving for your loyalty and support of their mission.

RSVP by May 25

Please complete this response card and mail to Sister Nancy Boyle, LCM, American Province of Little Company of Mary Sisters, 9350 South California Avenue, Evergreen Park, Illinois 60642.
Lay Associates Share LCM Sisters’ Mission

Do I have to join the order to be a part of this good work? The answer is, not at all. The Sisters have been encouraged to seek ways to invite others to help them. Their constitution states,

“The Sisters should use every opportunity to engage our staff to share our spiritual mission and enhance the carrying out of our apostolic work.”

Sisters Mary Schlax, LCM Laguna Hills, Calif., developed the LCM Associate Program several years ago and

is now assisted by Sister Mildred Radziewicz, LCM. They found many women, some still at home with families or other retired individuals who were eager to help them and be a part of their work.

In Evergreen Park, Sister Jean Stickney, LCM, has guided the LCM Associates who extended the Sisters mission and ministry as employees and volunteers in the Hospital’s services and outreach programs.

An Invitation

LCM Nurse Alumnae, desirous of deepening their relationship with the Sisters of Little Company of Mary, and of being more closely identified with their spirituality and ministries as Lay Associates, are invited to an informative meeting with Sister Jean Stickney, LCM.

Date: Thursday, May 13, 1993
Time: 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Place: C-Wing, Meeting Room A

Directors of Nursing Remembered

Sister Dorothea Dwight, LCM (Director: 1931-1952)

This lovely Bostonian woman is an LCM legend who founded the School of Nursing in 1931 and led it for 21 years into prosperity building its reputation as a school that graduated not only competent, but extraordinarily caring nurses. Stories abound of her unique personality, clever, persistent and humorous ways, but also of a magnificently large and caring heart. She died in 1964 after a relatively long illness. She made her mark in nursing education and has not been forgotten.

Loretta Cook (’48)

"Because my father was out of work I felt I would not be able to enter nurses training as I had always hoped. Sr. Dorothea made all of that possible in my life. I approached her and told her my circumstances and her characteristic response was "child, we will take you into our nursing program, but

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there are two stipulations, first, you must prove to be a worthy student and second, you must pay your tuition back." I did so by paying a $1.00 at a time... my babysitting fee. By the end of the training I had almost completed paying my debt.

Sister Carmelita Hoban, LCM (’45) (Director: 1952-1958)

In talking with Sister Carmelita about her years as Director of Nursing, she shared these remarks. "It was hard to fill the shoes of Mother Dorothea, in addition to the fact that my education did not prepare me for this responsibility, but over the six years I was director, I came to love the students. They and some wonderful faculty made the responsibility so enjoyable." Since those days, Sister Carmelita, "Carm," to her Sisters, has had a wide range of experiences—one of the first Sisters to go to Torrance, California, Superior of the Sisters Formation Community, Palos Park, Ill., Superior of the Evergreen Park Community, and her last nursing assignment until retirement, was Supervisor of the Emergency Room and Out-Patient Dept. at LCMH, Evergreen Park.

Anne Gartner Sims (’55) - student
"My memories of Sr. Carmelita are only the finest. She was and always will be special to me. When I left, I wrote her a five-page letter thanking her for all she had been and done for me. She was kind, always found time to listen and was non-judgmental when she had to handle the squabbles of the dorm, which were inevitable with us gals living so close to each other. Sr. Carmelita has made a lasting impression on my life."


Obtaining her Masters Degree in Nursing Education from Columbia University in New York City, Sr. Michael invested all her new learning, in addition to her seasoned passion for the profession of nursing, to her appointment as Director of the LCM Nursing Program. When the tides of nursing education were changing and the financial viability was threatened, she was disheartened to see the school close in 1972. She sought approval to reopen the school from the Department of Registration and Education and the Hospital Board of Directors. The Associate Nursing Degree Program reopened in 1974. In 1982, she turned the reins over to Sr. Kathleen McIntyre, LCM, her associate director. Sr. Michael always went about her role as nursing leader in a caring and humane way... always seeking out the special needs of her students and faculty.

Elise Mower Farrell (’70) - student
"Sr. Michael, as my director of nursing, was a warm and caring person. She was outstanding. I especially remember how approachable she was-somehow you don't expect this openness in your director. I just remember how good it felt to never be afraid of her."

Sister Kathleen McIntyre, LCM (’62) (Director: 1982-1984)

Sr. Kathleen, who had the shortest tenure of any director, had a weighty responsibility—to bring to a close a glorious 54 years of nursing education sponsored by the Little Company of Mary. She brought to this director's position in addition to the major task of closing the school, a great deal of administrative skill (member of Board of Directors/Torrance, Calif. for 17 years, as well as nursing administration) and a large amount of human compassion (Congregation Formation/Vocation Director for 10 years) and understanding. It was a burdensome

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personal experience to guide the faculty and students through their grieving process and help them make plans for their professional life. During this time, despite the reality that faculty appointments were coming to an end, the instructors remained loyally by her side to complete the education and supervision the students were entitled to receive. Since that time, Sr. Kathleen has remained at Evergreen Park - first as Chair of the Board of Directors and then, in 1987, she began her tenure as President of the Little Company of Mary Hospital and Health Care Centers.

Peg Radakovitz - faculty member
Sr. Kathleen masterfully orchestrated a difficult human event - the closing of our school in 1984. I loved being a member of the faculty and working with Sister. I found her to be a director who was supportive, available and always giving opportunities to faculty to improve their skills and grow in great self knowledge. At the end, it was a time of sadness and loss. Her care and honesty helped us unite together for the good of the students. The spiritual component that she highly valued had a significant influence on how we approached our teaching and assisted us when we needed it most. It helped us 'band together' and trust that we would, in time, find new positions."

Pastoral Leadership

St. Francis de Sales Parish in Toledo, Ohio, once a downtown Cathedral and currently the parish for 750 families, welcomed Sr. Kathy Scott, LCM, (’66), as their pastoral leader (pastor) in 1990. She was one of three candidates selected by a search committee and was chosen and canonically appointed by Bishop James Hoffman. Her challenge, which she has embraced, was to assume responsibility for all ordinary spiritual and administrative duties of a pastor except those that are presently the right of ordination – celebrating the Eucharist and administering the Sacraments.

After serving on the pastoral staff of St. Clare Montefelco on Chicago’s South Side for 11 years, Sister Kathy, a very creative and gifted woman, has brought a great deal of pastoral expertise and care and is at the forefront of the expanding role of women in the Church. When she left for Toledo, her pastor at St. Clare’s wrote the LCM Community to thank them for sharing Sister with their parish community and noted what a caring religious, capable and confident leader she had been.

Parish Ministry/Hospice Care

After receiving her Masters Degree from the Pastoral Institute at Loyola University of Chicago, Sister Jean Marsden, LCM, accepted a position as a parish nurse two days a week at St. Henry’s Parish on the north side of Chicago, and as a Hospice nurse three days a week, both positions are associated with St. Francis Hospital in Evanston, Ill. The Parish Nurse Program, a relatively new position, provides a nurse specifically trained in pastoral/medical skills, to work directly with people in the parish setting. With her recent degree and her long career in nursing, Jean is well prepared for the parish nurse role, as well as her responsibilities as a Hospice nurse. She is participating in a ministry for which the Little Company of Mary Sisters was founded – to care for the sick and dying.

Parish Visitation Program to the Sick and Shut-In

Laguna Hills, CA . . . In 1983, the LCM Sisters were invited to serve in a worthwhile extension of their healthcare apostolate at St. 

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Nicholas Parish, in Laguna Hills, California. Sister Nancy Boyle (’55) and Sister Gloria Harper were the first to begin this work followed by Sister Mildred Radiewicz in 1985 and Sister John Schlax in 1986.

Ministry to the cares of the elderly is one of the greatest needs in our country today. These Sisters have responded generously and the many services that the sisters provide with enthusiasm and compassion include visiting the sick and elderly, in nursing or retirement homes, hospitals, or their private homes and making assessments of their personal or spiritual needs in order to arrange for provision of services. In eliciting help to care for their parishioners, the Sisters have had a generous response. Through their training and guidance many programs have been created to enhance their ministry – i.e., Distribution of Eucharist, ministry of the grieving, resource information for live-in aids, meals on wheels, hospice care, support groups, housing and personal services for shopping and transportation. These are just a few of the significant works the Sisters provide in a caring and committed way.

**AIDS Ministry**

by Sister Deborah Conley, LCM (’57)

When I tell interested persons that I work at Alexian Brother’s Bonaventure House ministering to men and women with AIDS, there is frequently a pause followed by, “It must be difficult and depressing.” My answer is, “No, it’s lifegiving.”

Bonaventure House, on Chicago’s north side, is a place of care, compassion, support and genuine love. It is a home for 30 men and women living with AIDS. It is a place where ministry of presence, just being there for another human being, is greatly appreciated.
The Little Company of Mary Sisters serve health needs in 47 facilities from Africa to Ireland, from Australia to America. Their most recent mission was opened in 1989 in Haiti.

**Little Company of Mary Foreign Mission Effort**

The Little Company of Mary Sisters of the U.S.A., as a part of a larger picture of LCM Sisters throughout the world (see map below), have continued to be personally involved in the missionary effort of their Sisters serving in Haiti, Korea, South Africa, Zimbabwe and the Tongan Islands.

The stories of profound deprivation, poverty and, in some instances, government oppression and cruelty, have motivated our Sisters since 1975, to organize fundraising projects to acquire monies that will alleviate some of this suffering by providing food, medicine and other basic essentials, we often take for granted, to the poor our Sisters serve.

Over the years, these fundraisers have expanded through the generous support of our employees and volunteers who donate their time, talents and dedication to this LCM cause. This generosity makes it possible to send financial help, which our LCM missionary Sisters count on to continue their work.

**Class Notes - LCM Sister Nurse Alumni Update**

**Class of ’38:**
* Sister Michael Murray, LCM, recently recovered from kidney surgery and is visiting her sister in Arizona. She is retired but is an active volunteer in admissions at LCMH/E.P.

**Class of ’40:**
* Sister Patricia Dooley, LCM, has retired after many long years of service in administration across the congregation. She continues to visit family in Ireland every few years, and keeps contact with many alumni from her early Evergreen Park years.

*Sister Marie Terese Oleniczak, LCM, Sister has expanded her healthcare career over the years. She became a registered Medical Technologist and used her expertise at our hospitals in Buenos Aires, Argentina and Syracuse, New York. This expertise and valuable knowledge led her to be one of the first Infection Control Nurses at LCMH. She is retired in Torrance, California, but keeps amazingly young and vital with her many creative interests and hobbies.

**Class of ’45:**
* Sister Carmelita Hoban, LCM, is retired, but very keen of mind and spirit. She loves to hear the latest about LCM Alumni. She has some problems with loss of eyesight but manages with little or no help and is never daunted. Presently, she is Superior of the Evergreen Park Community.

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Class of '46:
Sister Magdalen Nolan, LCM, is presently recuperating in Torrance, California, after serious surgery. The Chairman of the Board of Directors in Jasper, she celebrated her Golden Jubilee last year and despite her recent surgical crisis, continues to have great zest for life and loves a good book or movie.

Class of '52:
Sister Joseph Casey, LCM, provided faithful care to her 96-year-old Mom, Marie, who died March 17, 1993. She is president of the Association of Patient Representatives and is a member of the LCM Leadership Team, as well as a Patient Representative in Evergreen Park.

Sister Rita Bracken, LCM, is the beloved aunt of the Bracken family in Evergreen Park and loved by the patients and families in San Pierre. Her healthcare career, starting in OB has taken her to both ends of our life spectrum.

Class of '54:
Sister Eugene Trenner, LCM, has been missioned in San Pierre for many years. Although burdened with health problems that have cut down on her ability to get around without a wheelchair, she continues to be a strong, loving presence to everyone there. Creative and caring best describes her.

Sister Maura Tangney, LCM, has been at our Evergreen Park Hospital for many years and continues to be a vital part of the nursing staff. Presently she is working on One-Day Surgery. Over the years she has been nursing not only here, but on the east coast and in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Sister Maura still enjoys the opportunity to visit many of her family still living in County Kerry, Ireland.

Class of '55:
Sister Virginia O'Brien, LCM, offers quiet, but passionate care and understanding for those less fortunate. She retired from admissions in Jasper, but keeps busy with service in the Pastoral Care Dept.

Sister Nancy Boyle, LCM, is presently Provincial of the American Province. She has served just about everywhere and is highly loved and respected. She has been a leader throughout all her years since LCM nursing training.

Class of '57:
Sister Deborah Conley, LCM, after years in LCM Sisters Leadership, entered ministry of spiritual direction and retreat work in 1976. After nine years on staff at Campion, Jesuit Retreat Center in Weston, Mass. She returned to the midwest after being elected to Provincial Council and accepting a staff position at Bonaventure House, a residence for AIDS patients.

Class of '58:
Sister Terrence Landini, LCM, a lover of the West Coast – she has had many responsibilities as superior, a member of the Board of Directors, and presently as Patient Representative. Although no longer in nursing, she is well remembered as a wonderful nurse. She especially loves her walks on the beach.

Class of '59:
Sister Adrian Davis, LCM, recently returned to Jasper, Indiana, as president and C.E.O. after a good number of years working in Grayling, Michigan, for the Sisters of Mercy Health Care System. She continues to be a gifted seamstress and a faithful correspondent and friend to the many she has met along the way in her life.

Class of '60:
Sister Margaret Christina Hoban, LCM, earned her Ph.D. in Health Care Administration several years ago and is presently Vice President at the Evergreen Park facility. She is very active in the civic community (President of the Evergreen Park chapter of the American Cancer Society) and is an avid golfer. She was recently nominated as Evergreen Park Citizen of the Year for 1993.

Class of '62:
Sister Sharon Ann Walsh, LCM, presently Chair of the Board of Directors in Torrance, California, and is previous Provincial Superior. Loves to visit her retired parents in Florida, take long walks and enjoy a good novel.

Sister Kathleen McIntyre, LCM, is presently President of LCMH/Evergreen Park. She spent many years in California after nurses training until she returned to assist Sister Michael in the School of Nursing. She became Director in 1982. Despite her huge responsibilities, she loves a good time, particularly a mexican dinner after a good movie.

Class of '63:
Sister Marianne Herres, LCM, has been at LCMH/Evergreen Park in nursing since training days and presently works in SETS (Out-Patient Dept.). Her favorite pastime for which she could set up ‘full time shop’ is gardening. The truth is she can make anything grow or come alive. Secondly, she is a writer of intriguing mystery stories. Ellery Queen has nothing on Sister Marianne.

Sister Mary Jane Feil, LCM, is presently on a much-deserved sabbatical at Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana, for the year. Aside from the fact that she has been a devoted staff nurse at Evergreen Park for many years, she is becoming an accomplished organist.

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Class of '66:
Sister Kathy Scott, LCM, had a variety of nursing experiences (ICU, Head Nurse/Supervisor Medical Service at LCMH & Montefiore Hospital in South Bronx, New York) before entering parish ministry. Sister Kathy is very creative and can make something out of most everything she touches - cooking, sewing, etc.

Class of '71:
Sister Renee Cunningham, LCM, a Californian by birth, has put her artistic talents to a variety of challenges since nurses training. She has been deeply involved in nursing education and most recently is one of two R.N.s on the Hospice Team. She is a very gifted liturgist and has been a prize to the parish staffs she has worked with in Evergreen Park and Jasper.

A Special Thanks

Sister M. Damian Young, LCM, sister of the late Dr. Francis Young (Evergreen Park staff physician) and aunt to Edie Young ('66), is known to many alumni, especially the many Sisters who experienced her guidance during their training. Leaving her beloved Pharmacy profession was not easy when asked to assume responsibility in the early 1950's to become the Director of Formation of the LCM Sisters.

Many a Sister Alumni experienced her encouragement, acceptance and patience when they were up half the night studying for an N.L.N. exam or State Boards. She guided and directed the young Sisters for almost 20 years. Marquette University conferred a diploma and many honors on their prize student and this accomplishment in Torrance, California. Since returning to the mid-west, she has been President of the Board of Directors in San Pierre, Indiana, and is presently the Secretary of the Board of Directors in Evergreen Park. Though her age is a semi-secret and she is in semi-retirement, her wisdom, keen insight and counsel are a cherished value.

Little Company of Mary Hospital and Health Care Centers - Evergreen Park, Illinois

The Little Company of Mary history began in 1930 and six decades later, the reputation for being “staffed with people who care” has never changed. Although the Hospital has been faithful to it’s mission of excellence (high-tech feats are routine at Little Company), it has characteristically been famous on the southwest side for its “second-to-none” quality of nursing care. Many alumni contribute to this reputation and are a part of our nursing staff. Marie McFadden Ruff ('56) is presently Vice President of Nursing.

Since 1987, Sister Kathleen McIntyre, LCM, ('62) has been President and Sister Margaret Christina Hoban, LCM ('60) is one of three Vice-Presidents. There is much to share about the growth and development of our Hospital and the continuation of its mission here in Evergreen Park. Future issues of AlumniLink will feature news and advances to keep you up to date.

Little Company of Mary Health Facility - San Pierre, Indiana

A nursing home “par excellence” has been the unchanging reputation since its doors opened in 1952 to care for the aged and infirmed. The land on which it rests was donated by Mr. John Tierney, a grateful patient who was cared for in his home by Sr. Solace Hannigan, LCM, and Sr. Virginia King, LCM, until he died. His wishes that a nursing home be built on the land that he donated was honored.

Through varying roles of service, administrative, social work and pastoral care, the Sisters have provided a HOME to residents there. They have never wavered in their dedication to this personal endeavor. Today, our Sisters continue their ministerial presence to the staff, patients and their families.

However, in 1991, in order to strengthen their ministry to the frail, elderly and dying and improve their financial position in the economically deprived area, as well as

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survive within the rigidly controlled state cost reimbursement system, the Sisters approached Holy Cross Care Services of Indiana, a group well known for their expertise in nursing home management. The two groups developed a mutually beneficial agreement (5-year lease), whereby the administration would be in the hands of Holy Cross Care Services while the facility would remain a Little Company of Mary Care Center and the Sisters would continue on staff.

On October 3, 1992, the Auxiliary Bishop of Gary, Most Reverend Dale J. Melczek celebrated Mass in honor of the 40 years the Little Company of Mary Sisters have cared for the aged and infirmed in San Pierre. The memories exchanged were wonderful and we pray for a future that continues this important work.

Memorial Hospital and Health Care Centers

Jasper, Indiana

The conception of Memorial Hospital is unique – it was the people of Jasper, a quaint, little town in Southern Indiana, who set a goal of constructing a hospital to relieve the overcrowded conditions and critical shortage of hospital beds in the area. From the beginning, it was decided that this general hospital should be administered by a religious community. The Sisters of Little Company of Mary accepted this invitation and on July 6, 1951, the doors were opened to serve the community. During the past two decades it has undergone great expansion, increasing bed capacity, outreach programs and developing state-of-the-art medical services.

In keeping with the hallmark of the Sisters’ Mission, compassionate and skilled care for the sick and dying, Memorial Hospital recognized a need to provide Hospice services for the terminally ill. Professional nursing services and other disciplines (social work, pastoral care, etc.) are provided at no cost to the patient or their respective families. The hospital provided two fulltime R.N.s one of which is Sr. Renee Cunningham, LCM, ('71). The hospital staff made more than 900 home visits in the last year.

In July 1991, commemorating the hospital heritage of healing, 40 years of service to the people of Jasper was celebrated. Over these many years a fine, hardworking German community has embraced and been grateful for the dedication of our LCM Sisters.

Little Company of Mary Sisters - Torrance and San Pedro, California

In 1957, at the invitation of His Eminence, James Francis Cardinal McIntyre, Sister Magdalan Nolan ('46) and Sister Lucy Colgan were sent to pioneer the presence of Little Company of Mary on the west coast. The property was 10 acres located on Torrance Blvd and Earl Street in the city of Torrance. Countless numbers of our midwestern Sisters have been a part of the amazing development of a healthcare institution that has gained prominence in California. In 1990, the hospital celebrated it’s 30th Anniversary. Amidst all the advancements and challenges in health care over the past 30 years it has not only expanded in size and services rendered, but it’s dynamic leadership, presently guided by Sr. Sharon Ann Walsh ('62), as Chair of the Board of Directors, has spear-headed astounding and visionary decisions to maximize the delivery of healthcare services to the people of the Great South Bay and Harbor area communities. After several years of informal and formal discussions at various levels and through specific cooperative ventures, San Pedro Peninsula Hospital (founded in 1925) was dedicated on October 24, 1992 as a Catholic Facility and joined forces as one to be called . . . LITTLE COMPANY OF MARY SERVICES.

This affiliation creates an 808 bed system (including 249 beds for skilled and long-term care). Through this alliance they are truly “STRONGER TOGETHER” – as the best qualities of each partner enhances the total relationship; and allows each hospital to serve the community with the broadest range of healthcare services: from neo-natal intensive care to geriatric psychiatry; from 24 hour emergency room to rehabilitation; from heart center to Hospice program; from diabetes management to chemical dependency services.

The mission of Little Company of Mary Hospital and San Pedro Peninsula Hospital extends far beyond the hospital’s walls. As non-profit Catholic facilities, they are responsible to meet the needs of those who are often neglected by the healthcare system. “Social commitment” is a phrase often used to describe this responsibility. Some of the ways this is accomplished is through the outreach programs offered by both hospitals and also by having an LCM Sister, (Sister Mary Therese Babcock, LCM), coordinate the MISSION EFFECTIVENESS PROGRAM to develop and communicate the LCM mission and core values to our new partner, San Pedro Peninsula Hospital.

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So much more could be shared of the wonderful services being offered in all our hospitals across the U.S.A. The LCM Sisters have a blessed heritage which they have been faithful in passing onto people they serve and empowering the people they work with to join hands to provide a future that is full of promise.

**Sister Search**

**Torrance Communities:**

4101 Torrance Boulevard  
Torrance, California 90503  
310-540-7676

- Sr. Mary Therese Babcock (formerly Sr. Raymond)  
  Mission Effectiveness Director/San Pedro  
- Sr. Maria Antonieta Benavides (formerly of Buenos Aires)  
  Pastoral Care  
- Sr. M. Francis Beggan, Retired  
- Sr. Gloria Harper, Clinical Laboratory

21302 Talisman Street  
Torrance, California 90503  
310-540-7676

- Sr. M. Terrence Landini ('58), Patient Representative  
- Sr. M. Teresa Oleniczak ('40), Retired  
- Sr. Sharon Ann Walsh (formerly Sr. Bernard) ('62)  
  Chair, Board of Directors

**Jasper Community**

Little Company of Mary Convent  
955 Mac Arthur Street  
Jasper, Indiana 47546  
812-482-6564

- Sr. Adrian Davis, LCM ('59), President and CEO  
- Sr. Renee Cunningham, LCM ('71), Hospice Nurse  
- Sr. Magdalena Nolan, LCM ('46), Chair of,  
  Board of Directors  
- Sr. Virginia O'Brien, LCM ('55) (formerly Sr. Augustine), Pastoral Care/Retired

**San Pierre Community:**

Little Company of Mary Care Center  
7520 South 421  
San Pierre, Indiana 46374  
219-828-4111

- Sr. Eugene Trenner, LCM ('54), Vice Chair,  
  Board of Directors  
- Sr. Rita Bracken, LCM ('52), Patient/Pastoral Visitation  
- Sr. Helen Burke, LCM (served in Buenos Aires,  
  Argentina until 1975), Sacristan/Guest Relations

**Evergreen Park Community:**

Provincial House  
2732 West 94th Place  
Evergreen Park, IL 60642  
708-425-5817

- Sr. Nancy Boyle, (formerly Sr. Gerard) ('55)  
  Provincial Superior  
- Sr. Kathleen McIntyre, (formerly Sr. Robert) ('62)  
  President/LCMH in Evergreen Park  
- Sr. Maura Tangney, (formerly Sr. Brendan) ('54)  
  Nursing  
- Sr. Jean Stickney, (formerly Sr. Gemma)  
  Patient Representative

2801 West 93rd Street  
Evergreen Park, IL 60642  
708-422-6200

- Sr. Michael Murray ('38), Retired  
- Sr. Sheila Brosnan (formerly Sr. David), Emergency  
  Room Patient Liaison  
- Sr. M. Dominica Cekolin, former Sacristan, now  
  Retired  
- Sr. M. Patricia Dooley ('40), Retired  
- Sr. Mary Jane Freil (formerly Sr. Lawrence) ('63)  
  Nursing  
- Sr. M. Carmelita Hoban ('45), Retired  
- Sr. Jean Marsden, Parish/Hospice Nurse  
- Sr. Peter Marie McCormick (formerly of Jasper,  
  Ind.) Retired  
- Sr. Catherine Shalvey (formerly Sr. Colette)  
  Provincial Treasurer

2740 West 94th Place  
Evergreen Park, IL 60642  
708-423-7142

- Sr. Deborah Conley (formerly Sr. Edward) ('57)  
  Spiritual Direction/AIDS Ministry  
- Sr. Damian Young, Secretary, Board of Directors

2001 Canton Street  
Toledo, Ohio 43620  
419-255-7038

- Sr. Kathleen Scott (formerly Sr. Louis) ('66)  
  Pastoral Leader

8960 South Mozart  
Evergreen Park, IL 60642  
708-423-1885

- Sr. Margaret Christina Hoban (formerly Sr.  
  Assumpta) ('60), Vice President  
- Sr. M. Joseph Casey ('52), Patient Representative  
- Sr. Marianne Herres (formerly Sr. Bonaventure)  
  ('63), Out-Patient Nursing
Keep In Touch Through Alumni Link

We appreciate hearing from you. However, some alumni are still “lost” and/or their addresses have changed. If you are aware of classmates/alumni who are not hearing from us – tell them to write us or send their address to AlumniLink (see return address).

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The Little Company of Mary Sisters will be gathering for their General Chapter and Elections this April 18th in London, England. Five Sisters from the American Province will be delegates (Sisters Nancy, Kathleen, Maura, Sharon Ann and Kay). In February, the Sisters (pictured above) gathered at Queen of Peace Convent to prepare for this important meeting.

(Left to Right) First Row: Sr.’s Mary Jane Feil, Terrence Landini, Gloria Harper, Eugene Trenner, Bernadine Brean (London). Adrian Davis Second Row: Sr.’s Catherine Shalvey, Virginia O’Brien, Maria Antonieta Benavides, Margaret Christina Hoban, Mary Babcock, Michael Murray Third Row: Sr.’s Deborah Conley, Jean Marsden, Teresa Oleniczak, Sharon Ann Walsh, Patricia Dooley and Damian Young Fourth Row: Sr.’s Marianne Herres, Kathleen McIntyre, Carmelita Hoban, Maura Tangney, Mary John Schlax, Mildred Radziewicz, Sheila Brosnan, Joseph Casey, Nancy Boyle, Helen Burke, Rita Bracken, Jean Stickey, Carol Pacini and Kathleen Scott