

From the Director



*“We’ll always come to thee again,
when Alma Mater calls”*

How often have these words been sung over the years by the graduates of Saint Benedict Academy? Graduations,

Yes!

reunions, parties, picnics and brunches – these special occasions always end with the singing of the school song, with the repetition of that phrase. The Alumnae Association is now asking us to answer that call. Many of our members have told us that they

are looking for ways to become involved in enriching the lives of others. Where better to look than to the numerous ministries of the Erie Benedictine Sisters? What

Yes!

a wonderful way to fulfill our Benedictine education by returning to the Sisters and volunteering our time and talents to assist them in their outreach to others.

Let us pray...

For our SBA alumnae who passed into eternity—

Miriam Kraus Shipley	'30
Sister Joanne Huether, OSB	'31
Adelaide Henry Roland	'35
Eleanor Baniszewski Dudzinski	'41
Mary Joan Gibbons Goodill	'43
Halina M. Radiszewski	'54
Fran Walczak Matusiak	'61
Audrey Marie Lorei Simpson	'61
Beverly Matz Manucci	'62
Ann Wally Miller	'62
Maryann Kurpiewski Stadter	'66
Geraldine Vomero	'87
Margaret “Margie” Malinski Huber	
Margaret “Peggy” Arnold Patterson	
Kathryn Sanner Smith	

When the directors of the local ministries run by the Sisters were asked if they wished to participate in our new volunteer program, their answer was a resounding YES! They told us of the many needs they have that could be met by alumnae volunteers. Their needs are varied. Time schedules are flexible and can be adjusted to individuals’ schedules. Some work can even be done in your home. We will be mailing a brochure outlining the ministries and the volunteer opportunities for each in January 2009. Watch the mail. Read the information and please, consider volunteering your time!

Yes!

Visit ErieBenedictines.org for event updates and to download sign-up forms, or send your e-mail address to Alumnae Director Ann Comstock at sbaalum@mtsbenedict.org to receive electronic reminders and sign-ups. If you don’t use e-mail, write to Ann at Mount Saint Benedict Monastery, 6101 E. Lake Rd., Erie, PA, 16511. And whenever you see or hear about SBA alumnae being honored or highlighted for their achievements, let us know. Clip an article, jot it down, or call us, so we can share the news with all our members.

We said we looked

25



- We said we felt 21

We even acted

14 at times



But as we gathered in the warm afternoon sun at Marilyn McEnery's cottage for hours of fun and memories, we were glad to add up all those younger years, all of those memories and rejoice in our **SIXTY** years.

We delighted in our stories, laughed a little and shed a few tears. We were happy to be **SIXTY**

and be together to celebrate!

We all agreed we would meet next year for 61- for lots more fun !!!!



Georgeann Kuklinski Antalek with the class cake "Happy 60th Birthday Girls"



BIRTHDAY GIRL (S)!

The SBA Class of 1966 collectively celebrated their "special" birthday on August 16 with birthday cake and song, a gift exchange and hours of catching up on news of each other over the years.

The grads came from near and far - Pennsylvania, New York, Ohio, Vermont, Maryland, Georgia and Florida - for a fun-filled day at a lakeside cottage.



Jeanne Carver Krueger and Mary Margaret Pfister Joswig showing candy bar wrappers.

Seated: Chris Froehlich Tatalone, Cindy Orelski Hartman, Georgeann Kuklinski Antalek, Cynthia Patalita, Karen Hogenmiller Krahe, Gloria Thompson Glenn.

Row 2: Barb Gorski Orlemanski, Janice Madura Landers, Lynn Nietupski DiPlacido, Eileen Kraus-Dobratz, Kathleen Spiegel, Kitty Stephany Bailey, Betty Jean Zimmerman Schessler, Char Kohler Antalek

Row 3: (beginning behind Eileen K): Char Nies, Jeanne Carver Krueger, Karen Smith Collins, Marilyn McEnery, Becky Wagner VanAmburg, Betsy Roebach Monsalve.

Row 4: Mary Jane Vergotz, OSB, Maureen Moore Dodd, Carolyn Scypinski Thompson, Mary Margaret Pfister Joswig, Jan Winschel, Rita Michaels Nystrom, Sue Staszewski Wettiken, Eileen Bowden Cullen.

Missing from photo: Joan Dramble, Cathy Anderson, Carol Zausen Muchard, Kate Gorczycki Arkwright

